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Who's Who and What's What

Hazlehurst W. M. U. at last report had given \$84.00 and more to come.

The Committee on Evangelism appointed by the Board consisted of C. E. Patch, J. B. Parker and J. M. Walker.

There are said to be 200 white Baptist churches in Mississippi that reported no conversion in the past associational year.

The Baptist Standard of Texas hopes to have 50,000 subscribers by January 1. The Lord do so to thee and more also. Amen!

Mississippi College Glee Club gave a program of sacred music at Hazlehurst church Sunday morning and at Crystal Springs Sunday night.

Mt. Pleasant church will present a Christmas program Monday night, Dec. 23. There will be a sermon by Pastor Herman A. Milner, speeches by others, songs, fellowship, Santa Claus and a Christmas tree. Neighboring churches invited.

Dr. L. G. Gates of First Church, Laurel, was with the church at Crystal Springs for a week in a stewardship revival. In the last report there were 184 who had signed up to give the Lord a tenth of their incomes and the church expected the number to reach 200.

The church at Crystal Springs has called Rev. J. L. Moran as assistant to Pastor A. B. Pierce. He is a ministerial student of the junior class in Mississippi College, and will give part time to the work in Crystal Springs. He directs the music and helps in other ways.

To further the work of evangelism the Convention Board at its recent meeting in Jackson directed the employment of an Associational Director of Evangelism beginning March 1, 1941, and that volunteers be asked to give two weeks service to associational evangelism outside their own associations.

For thirty years or more we have attended the annual meetings of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. The one in December is the first one we think that Mr. M. P. L. Love has not attended in that time. He was doubtless kept away by his duties as superintendent of the State Prison which he recently assumed.

Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, president of the Baptist World Alliance believes that for the present at least the Baptist churches in the territory transferred from Rumania to Hungary will be more free from interference and persecution. What may happen if Germany puts pressure on Hungary cannot now be forecast.

The Convention Board allocated \$4,000.00 to the Baptist Student Union work, that is for workers among the students in various schools, including University of Miss.; M. S. C. W.; Miss. State; Miss. Southern; Delta State; Hinds Junior, Copiah-Lincoln; Southwestern; Jones County; Perkinston, and East Miss. Junior College.

The budget of Mississippi Baptists for 1941 provides \$43,500 for State Missions. The total budget is to be distributed as follows: 25% for State Missions; 25% to Christian Education; 6% to the Orphanage; 3% to Ministerial Education; 1% to the Miss. Hospital. Of course 40% goes to Southwide objects. Of the amount for Christian Education \$1,000 goes to Clarke College, and that the debt of Clarke College be refunded.

The church at Durant recently extended a call to Rev. J. H. Street to become their pastor. He has done such a fine piece of work at West Laurel as to draw the attention of other churches, and is qualified to do good service anywhere. We have no information as to whether or not he accepts this call.

Texas Baptists have a program for 1941 calling for a budget of \$1,110,000, and they are laying plans to raise it. They are setting in motion their organized forces, including all their district missionaries to make the landing. And of course all their district missionaries help to enlarge the subscription list of their state paper.

Secretary McCall is deeply interested in the work of evangelism. He and his committee are making good preparation for the Evangelistic Conference to meet in Clinton. Also he is making preparation for a special evangelism number of the Baptist Record about the middle of January. If he calls on you for help, please give it promptly.

Jesus said, "With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured unto you; and more shall be given you." That means if somebody has come along and taught a Sunday school or B. T. U. training course in your church, and you have gotten the benefit of it, you go and do this in the negro churches in your community. You make more applications if you wish.

In the president's address to the Baptist Convention of Texas, Dr. J. H. Williams urged a change in the times of meeting of some of the statewide conventions. The General Convention, the B. S. U. Convention and the B. T. U. Convention meet close together, and all of them about the time the churches are preparing their financial budgets. It might help those in other states to "consider these matters."

The Convention Board at its recent meeting passed a motion that hereafter the President of the Board, at the conclusion of the State Convention meeting, appoint a budget committee from the Board members, that they may have ample time to study the budget and recommend the apportionments to the various departments at the time the Board meets a few weeks later, that is what shall be the total appropriation for the coming year and what each department shall receive. This does not mean that the budget committee shall recommend individual appropriations to churches, etc., for this is left to special committees. But shall say how much shall go for church building, etc.

On Sunday it was the editor's privilege to be with the church at Forest when four young men were ordained as deacons. Those selected for this service were Messrs. J. T. Wallace, A. R. Rabun, E. L. Johnson and Floyd Noblin. Of these we heard reports which reflected credit on them and prophesied great usefulness. The pastor Dr. A. B. Wood presented them to the congregation who had chosen them. We had the pleasure of bringing the message for the occasion and were asked to lead in the prayer of ordination. The laying on of hands was participated in by all the other deacons present. In spite of the unfavorable weather the house was well filled. This was the first time we have had the privilege of worshipping with the Forest church since the enlargement of their plant. Here is an equipment for which they may be truly grateful. The editor and wife had the pleasure of being in the hospitable home of Judge and Mrs. Jeff Kent, than which we know no better.

Dr. M. D. Eubank, long time Medical Missionary in China died recently in Kansas City, Mo.

It is said that Paderusky, the former President of Poland and world famed pianist has not touched a piano since Germany invaded Poland.

Dr. Arch C. Cree who retires from the pastorate in Salisbury, N. C., January 1, will be available for meetings and conferences.

Congratulations to the Western Recorder on its special Christmas issue. Its first page is a work of art, and the other pages are rich as usual.

Missionaries sent to Japan by the Church of England and Canada, it is said will be withdrawn from Japan next Spring. They probably don't like the Church union imposed on them.

President D. M. Nelson and Dean W. H. Sumrall of Mississippi College attended the Southern Association of College and Secondary Schools last week.

The auditorium of First Church, Birmingham, Ala., will be remodeled at a cost of \$21,000, of which \$15,000 have already been subscribed. Dr. Jno. Lawrence Slaughter is pastor.

Alabama Baptists appointed a Committee of seven to study the Educational situation in the state and report to a special session of the Convention. Dr. P. W. James of Tuscaloosa is the Chairman of the Committee.

Jan. 28-30 there will be held the Central Evangelistic Conference at Kansas City Seminary. Speakers: Chas. W. Koller, W. W. Hamilton, Jno. Bunyan Smith, Kyle M. Yates and Walter Woodbury.

To the people of Corinth Church, Jasper Co.: You are now beginning with the second installment of your Baptist Record. I trust as you read this paper it will bring great joy and happiness to your hearts. Let's remember second Sunday is the day when we pay our pledges to the church. Let no one fail to pay his pledge, as this will keep the paper coming. Your pastor, L. R. Massey.

We have had in the past week the beautiful teachings of Jesus with reference to prayer. It will be a great pity if after all this opportunity of learning from him about prayer, we should not hereafter pray more and better. "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only deluding your own selves." It is delusion to learn how and not then to do what we have learned.

Dr. H. W. Virgin has resigned the pastorate of North Shore Church in Chicago, after seventeen years there. He was reared in New Orleans, educated at Mississippi College and the Southern Seminary. He has had successful pastorates in several Southern States, noted for his evangelistic ministry. He will spend his winters in Florida and his summers in Chicago.

How foolish it is for a man to wish to assert his liberty by refusing to obey the regulations of proper authority! A sign on the side of the highway says: "Soft shoulders! Keep off." A man is next door to a lunatic who, just to show that he is a free man, turns out on the soft shoulders and lands in a ditch or a mudhole. And yet that is what some people told us a few years ago led young people to drink. It was all because it was prohibited. That is a sad commentary on the intelligence of young people; a charge which a sensible man would be slow to make. Why should a man rush headlong into hell, because God says, "Let the wicked man forsake his ways and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and let him return unto the Lord for he will abundantly pardon."

Sparks and Splinters

There are seven Baptist pastors in Washington City whose years of service there sum up to 199 years, an average of 28 years.

The school children of the Baptist Orphanage are giving a Christmas play Thursday evening, December 19 at 7:30 p. m. at the Orphanage. The public is invited.

There were 35 additions to First Church, Gulfport, during the meeting which Pastor H. T. Brookshire had to his help Dr. W. W. Hamilton and Professor Carnett of the Baptist Bible Institute.

The Training Union in First Church, Laurel, is progressing. A new B. A. U. was organized two weeks ago with five present; there were eighteen in that union last Sunday. Another B. A. U. for young married couples will be organized January first.

Pastor J. P. Colvin preached to a large audience Sunday, December 8, coming 400 miles to fill his place in the First Baptist Church at Verona. He is highly esteemed by his people here. The week of prayer is being observed by the W. M. U. and the Lottie Moon program.

There was a long editorial in the Christian Century recently criticizing the government for exempting preachers and theological students from the draft. As a matter of fact the government will accept preachers and theological students for military service. They can go if they wish to go and are physically fit.

Dr. Harry McCormick Lintz has resigned the pastorate of First Church, Lake Charles, La., effective January 5th, to return to the work of evangelism. During his pastorate of a little more than three years, a church debt of \$7,000 has been paid, a building fund started, a 700 increase in membership. The church has had a perennial revival and the largest church attendance in Southwest Louisiana.

So far as we recall there were few if any changes made in the personnel of the Convention Board workers. For 1941 you will have the same Executive Secretary, the same Editor and Business Manager and the same Circulation Manager, the same W. M. U. Secretary, the same Young People's Director, the same B. T. U. Secretary and Assistant, the same Sunday School Secretary and Assistants.

We learn that the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention enthusiastically approved the tentative arrangement made for financing the indebtedness of the Baptist Bible Institute, by which one-fourth of the annual interest is saved, and a good reduction in interest already due is made. It now seems probable that some other of the Southwide institutions and boards will follow a similar course.

Britain's biggest arms factory, covering ninety acres of flaming forges and clanging workshops, is said to dispense to its operatives four thousand bottles of milk daily at two cents per third of a pint. The superintendent is reported to have said that they were, so far as that factory was concerned, winning the war with milk, and that it made the men happier and healthier, since they quit drinking beer and ale. That seems to us to be a step in the right direction regardless of the final result of the war now in progress. —Ex.

In one respect at least the democratic spirit was manifest at the meeting of the Convention Board in Jackson last week: The brethren freely discussed everything that came up. Anybody who had anything on his mind, and maybe some others, were free to say anything he wanted to say. Sometimes we say of a meeting that there was more heat than light. The absence of heat was conspicuous. The matters before them were given thorough consideration, and nobody got hot in the collar. As generally happens the things which came up early in the session got more time than those which came late; for brethren will get tired and want to go home.

LIGHTS AND SHADOWS OF CHRISTMAS

The star of the Magi shines again
In our cities' myriad lights;
And angel voices sing again
From God's celestial heights.

For America has no black-out now
To quench its lambent flame;
And the song of peace we sing out now
For the glory of His name.

We would not, dare not boast o'er much
That the lights are in our streets;
We have no night of darkness such
As Europe each night greets.

But keep our hearts, O God, from wrong!
Be thou in all our plans!
We add to all our joy and song
A prayer for the black-out lands.

—R. L. Holmes

December, 1940.

Thanks to the Clerks of the Associations who have sent minutes to be preserved in the historical collection.

The increase in population for the United States in the past ten years was 8,634,835, or only seven per cent, which is the smallest percentage of increase for 150 years.

Rev. A. B. Weathersby has returned to Mississippi and is now pastor of Arlington Church in Lincoln County and Ramah in Franklin County. Already these churches are evidencing new life from the leadership of brother Weathersby and his wife.

We are wishing and praying for all the families where the Baptist Record goes the blessing of a joyous Christmas tide. Surely all of us have much to be grateful for and happy in. We can still join in the chorus of the angels who sang glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will. Let us earnestly pray for those in distress in other lands, and that peace may come to their hearts and their homes. Let us continue to pray that if it be the will of God our land may be spared the horrors of war.

Copiah S. S. and B. T. U. Associational meeting will be held at Wesson, Dec. 29 beginning at 10:45 A. M., Closing at 3:30. On the program are W. H. Smith, subject Value of the Sunday School; R. A. Langley on How Baptists are doing their work; Evangelism by Secretary McCall; Lunch for everybody; B. T. U. discussed by James Fairchild; Devotional; Conference; Special Music; Address by Speaker to be secured; Sunday School Department with E. A. Izard in Church; Visitation by A. B. Pierce; Teacher Training by E. C. Williams; Open Discussion; Business and Adjournment.

If somebody else doesn't do it, we propose to undertake a tribute to preachers' wives. If there ever was a group of people in the world who labor on with no expectation or desire for reward in this world, it is the wives of our preachers. They ask nothing for themselves; they work at home unobserved; they work in the churches as if that were the way they make their living. They ask no honors for themselves. They are content if their husbands are used of God and their work finds favor with the people. You may not send your pastor a Christmas present, but certainly his wife deserves one.

Before another issue of the Baptist Record is out the New Year will be with us. As we start into the new year it will be a good time to take stock of the blessings of God which provoke us to gratitude. It will also be a good time to find out whatever hinders us from giving to God our best service. This is a good time for Christians to do what God said to the church at Laodicea: "Repent and do the first works." The only hope for the fullness of the blessing of God on us and on our nation is through repentance for sin, to begin anew to live for Him and according to His word. His promise made through Isaiah three thousand years ago still stands: "If ye be willing and obedient ye shall eat of the good of the land."

Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

"Don't Be Fooled"

Of all the folks in the world, few have an opportunity to make a fool of themselves more often than a preacher. They have friends who praise them and enemies who scorn them. Being caught in between a lot of flattery that means little or nothing, but is dangerous, and a lot of unsympathetic criticism which comes from those certainly not interested in a preacher's welfare, the average one of us has plenty of opportunities to be foolish. Then there are those who want to use us. Some want to use us to smite some of their adversaries. Many church fusses are the consequence of one group getting the preacher on their side in a squabble, or they are holding him as a screen for their protection while they fire at some of their foes whom they want punished.

I know a minister who is truly a man of God. With the best intentions in the world, he accepted the call to a church and gave himself to the service for which he believed his Lord had sent him to that city. Without his knowledge, there was in the church two groups between whom there had been no love lost for a long time. The unofficial leader of one side, with all the cunning of Shakespeare's Iago, set out to poison his mind against other people in the church with the result that without realizing it, he became prejudiced in his judgment of some of the finest souls in his congregation.

Naturally his ministry suffered. Without even intending it, he became a tool of designers.

I learned in my first pastorate that a preacher can never allow himself to believe anything that comes to him unsolicited which is disparaging to a member of his congregation. He seldom knows the motive that prompts such a tale.

Dr. L. G. Cleverdon has resigned as president of Judson College in Alabama. This is probably the oldest school of Baptists for young women in the United States. It has had a glorious history. Of recent years, like a good many denominational colleges, it has had serious financial difficulties.

Brother H. J. Rushing of Collierville, Tenn., reports the organization of a new church, Pleasant Hill in DeSoto County, Mississippi. Messengers from Eudora Church in Mississippi and of three churches in Tennessee were present and voted approval of the organization. H. J. Rushing was president of the council and E. C. Horton secretary. Thirteen people went into the new church, and two were received for baptism. The Covenant and Articles of Faith were adopted. Brother Rushing was called as pastor. The Lord was present. The congregation will meet for worship each third Sunday afternoon in the month in the Methodist church building.

The Brotherhood of the First Church, Laurel, is experiencing quite a little success with its experimental supper meeting each Monday night at 6:30. The first twenty minutes of the hour is spent in eating and fellowship; each man pays twenty-five cents for his meal, and there have been no complaints about anyone not getting his money's worth. Mrs. Archie McCormick furnishes the brains and brawn for this part of the meeting. The next twenty-five minutes is used for the presentation of the program by groups. The last fifteen minutes is given to discussion of new and old business, activities, recognition of visitors, etc. The men come straight from their work to the church and are at home by a few minutes after 7:30, in plenty of time to meet any other engagement. Attendance has more than doubled since the inauguration of this plan, averaging, for the past three months, thirty-six. President, Judge Carroll Gartin; Membership vice president, C. D. Boyd; Activities vice president, Harry Smallwood; Program vice president, Fred Scholfield.

THE BAY PSALMIST

Ernest O. Sellers

This present year of 1940 marks the 500th anniversary of Guttenburg's notable invention of printing from movable type, easily a most outstanding event. This year also marks the 200th anniversary of the printing of the first book in this country.

The honor of printing the first book upon the Western Continent, however, must go to Juan Pablos, "south of the border" in Mexico. He printed catechisms and text books for the education of native Indians in 1539, one hundred years before the New England project.

The Mayflower colonists brought Ainsworth's "Book of Psalms" while the Puritans brought the Sternhold and Hopkins version as used by the Church of England. This latter was a strict non-lyrical close adherence to the original Hebrew text. A group of scholarly men, and there was an abundance of university trained men in the pulpits of New England, began a revision of the Psalms in 1639.

President Dunster of the newly founded Harvard College accepted Rev. John Glover's offer to go to England and purchase a printery. Glover died of smallpox on his way back to this land. President Dunster, who later married the widow of Mr. Glover, set up the press in his own home, where the work was done by Stephen Daye.

The complete translation was printed in 1640, seventeen hundred copies. Daye, as compensation in addition to his work, was granted one hundred acres of land by the General Court. The preface to the book was written by Richard Mather and is an interesting presentation of the convictions of the ministers of that day as regards the singing of praise in church. First, should churches sing Davis' and other Scriptural psalms or hymns of human composure? Second, if the Scriptures whether in "their own words" or in the meter of English poetry? Thirdly, by whom shall they be sung, by one man alone the rest "joining in silence and in the close saying amen," or by the whole congregation with united voices. The conclusion was that David's Psalms, in English verse form, should be sung by all the people.

Poetically the Bay Psalm Book is not acceptable today due to its close adherence to the original Hebrew text. Spelling, capitalization and punctuation was not governed by fixed rules. The book was a small octavo, approximately seven by four and one half inches and bound in calf. Only ten copies of the first impression are in existence and but three of them are in perfect condition.

To aid the circulation of the book John Cotton (1647) wrote a tract on "Singing of Psalms a Gospel Ordinance." This was largely to overcome the objections of those who would have no singing in the house of God. The book speedily, with one or two exceptions, gained universal use. It passed through twenty-seven editions in America and was reprinted many times in England and Scotland. It was fifty years, 1690 before any music was printed in any edition of the book. Then a few tunes brought from England were included.

As the years passed the hold of this book upon the churches gradually loosened, more poetical translations were desired. Then in 1707 came the famous "Hymns and Spiritual Songs" by Isaac Watts. This marked the breaking away from exclusive Psalm singing. It is interesting to note that America's first practical musical instruction book, by Rev. John Tufts, was printed in 1712 to promote the "Art of Singing Psalm Tunes."

—Baptist Bible Institute
New Orleans, Louisiana.

The two churches at Enterprise and Stonewall called Rev. James C. Taylor for pastor. Stonewall is a large cotton mill town of 2000 people. The two make a closely united field. On Dec. 8 Stonewall had 110 in Sunday school and Enterprise 62. Brother Taylor has done good work at Kreole down on the coast.

A NEW YEAR GREETING FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Fervently do I invoke the blessing of our Heavenly Father upon you all, wherever you dwell and whatever your race or your political allegiance.

Nothing can separate us from one another or from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus. Our unity in Him has, since the Baptist World Alliance was founded in 1905, endured the test of a world war and a number of smaller conflicts, and it will hold through any strain of earthly events, even those of these tragic years. We are highly and firmly resolved that as the Lord liveth, no evil power shall embitter our spirits or sever the ties that bind us in Christian love.

I dare not presume to forecast the future, but we enter the New Year with the certainty that the changeless God is a God that hears prayer. Will you everywhere join with me in intercession for those who suffer through the strife of man with man? Will you pray with me that the work of all our churches and missions may be sustained even in time of war, and that the Kingdom of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit may even now be extended? Shall we not earnestly and passionately offer our petition that the days of tribulation may be shortened, and the good and acceptable and perfect will of God shall triumph throughout the whole world?

I greet you each and all in the name of the world-fellowship of Baptists, with the humble but confident assurance that God is ever waiting to show Himself gracious, and that 1941 will, if we open our hearts to Him, be a year of inward strength. We shall learn by a deepened experience that all things work together for good to them that love God. We have received "a kingdom that cannot be shaken" (Heb. 12:28). Our obstacles shall prove opportunities, and in quietness and confidence shall be our strength. "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

Yours in the fellowship of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,

J. H. RUSHBROOKE.

In the list of names and ages appearing last week in the Baptist Record under the article CHRISTMAS TREE AT THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE, the age of Keith Ginn was listed as 1 year. This was a typographical error as Keith is one of the many Intermediate boys of the Orphanage and his correct age is 16.

This will be the last opportunity during the year to call your attention to the fact that we shall be pleased to receive all your coupons that you may have from the use of Octagon Products. Please mail these to the Orphanage immediately. Plans are going forward for the erection of a Dormitory at the Orphanage for the Intermediate and Senior Boys. As a Christmas gift for these boys perhaps you would like to send an offering to the Building Program to be used for this purpose.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking everyone who made a contribution of money, farm produce, staple groceries, clothing, etc., to the Orphanage during the Thanksgiving Season. Your continued interest and support is deeply appreciated and you may be assured that every gift will be used to the best possible advantage in supplying the needs of the many boys and girls who have been committed to our care for support. Your contribution at this Season as well as the other gifts that have been made during our Building Program have been appreciated greatly. We want you to visit the Orphanage and see the results of your investment. As this work is continued we would be pleased to have your prayers and support.

With best wishes for a HAPPY CHRISTMAS SEASON, I AM, Gratefully yours, W. G. Mize, Sup't.

GOD BOMBS A COUNTY

Here is a sample of "How To Do It"—Ed.

The devil is not doing all the bombing. For we here in Waynesboro and all Wayne county can witness to the fact that the great God of heaven still has some men that are willing to turn loose his word in all its purity and in all its power. We have been in the midst of just such a bombing as this section has never seen or had before. Dr. R. G. Lee of Memphis was doing the driving of the ship, and how he does drive. Over the tops of mountains; why that fellow just steps from one mountain to another, you, will think sure he will fall and hurt himself but not one time did he even flicker. Words, words and then some more words, but all of them carry you right straight to the word of God. Before he came I said I thought he was the greatest, biggest, best and then some preacher in the south and after hearing him for one week now all our people know that he is all that plus. Thank God for this great preacher.

Our church here in Waynesboro has been praying for the past several months that we might have a revival that would reach all this county. We have just closed such a meeting. It has proven to be a spiritual awakening for all this section. No use to keep on talking about a county revival, just get out and have one and then you will know their worth.

Through the cooperation of U. S. Large the county superintendent of education it was possible for Dr. Robert G. (I guess that G is for Goget'm) Lee to preach to every girl and boy in the eleventh and twelfth grades at one of the morning services. At that service alone there must have been at least one hundred of the finest boys and girls in this state that were saved or that rededicated themselves to Christ. It was the best service I have ever been in for the youth of this day. No one can hear that message and not get a permanent blessing from it.

Now don't you think this John the Baptist of the year of 1940 reads some little moral essay that gets so dry before he gets through that you can see the dust fogging out of his mouth like dust out of some attic window when you disturb some old plunder that has been stored for an age. No, no, never. All he reads is the bible, and it is this writers deep conviction that is all any preacher ought to read when he is preaching. The moral is "if you ain't got nothing to say don't read it." Dr. Lee condemns sin and holds up Christ as no man I know of this day.

The result of it was that I have already baptized fifty and more to come, and then many came by letter. And a number went to the Methodist church on profession of their faith. In all around eighty people were reached in this community alone.

Walter Grafton led the singing. He can get his mouth in more angles and get more singing out of it than any one that has ever been our way. The music seems to go "round and round" and before you know it out it comes. How that chap does get people to sing.

All who heard him wish to thank again and again the Lord and the Bellevue Baptist Church of Memphis for letting this good man of God come this way.

May all Mississippi Baptists covet together for the reaching of the more than seven hundred thousand in our state above the age of ten that do not know Christ as their Savior and Lord. Oh that it might be done in 1941.

Thank you.

W. A. Greene, Pastor.

On Dec. 8 the Sunday School of First Church, Laurel, had 519 present; B. T. U. 150; Brotherhood 34; the budget offering was \$522.21.

The children of the Orphanage are looking forward to CHRISTMAS with much happiness. They know their friends will remember them either with a personal gift or a contribution to the general support fund which may be used for the support of all the children.

EDITORIALS

YOUR FEET SHOD

The soldier of Christ is on the march. He is a messenger of God, a military and militant envoy. There is work to do; there is constant fighting; he must expect it, and be prepared for it. The Word "Go" is one of the cardinal words of the New Testament. Without it there is no hope of the success of the gospel. Aggressiveness is of the essence of the gospel. "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings; that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation: that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth." The feet are just as necessary as the tongue when it comes to carrying on the work of the gospel. There must first be the willingness to go, before there is committed to us the message of salvation: "having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace."

The intimation is clear that the road is not always smooth, and you had as well make up your mind that there are some rough places, plenty of them, as you press the work of the Master. And you had best fortify your mind and protect yourself against these. Get ready before you start. Know what you are going to do, and something about the way you must do it. It is better to go blunderingly than not to go at all. But it is best not to go blunderingly. Any man who is saved wants to help to save others. And any man who is saved knows how to be saved, and knows how to tell others how to be saved.

But when he goes to the task, as he is commissioned to go, he ought to refresh his mind and soul with the "gospel of peace." If a man goes a hunting, he gets down his gun and rubs it up, and cleans it in and out, oils it and sees that it is in good condition. He wishes it to do its best work. So when we go forth to the one supreme Christian task of saving souls, we want to see to it that we have prepared ourselves for this particular occasion. Have you got in your own soul the immediate personal consciousness of the saving power of the gospel of Christ? Is it now working in you in such a way that you can tell others what is true in you and not merely said to be true by the Book, or by other people? Every particle of steel when lifted by a magnet, itself becomes magnetized, and so magnetic. And every Christian must of necessity be in immediate and personal touch with the Lord Jesus to help others. The life of Christ must flow through us to reach a dead soul.

There is a somewhat singular turn given to this soldier equipment, by speaking of the armor, this particular part of the armor, as the gospel of peace. It is a war to end war. It is a fight to bring peace to the hearts of men. That is the only kind of war that is justifiable. You may put along by the side of this passage one found in Romans 16:20: "The God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly." Or that of Paul when he says to Timothy, "I have fought the good fight." Or the words of Jesus to the disciples on the night of his betrayal, "He that hath none, let him sell his cloak, and buy a sword."

All of this sums up to the fact that warfare is inevitable; but that the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but spiritual, and mighty to the pulling down of strongholds of sin.

During the Thanksgiving season the Sunday school, the Brotherhood and the W. M. S. of the Seminary church all remembered the Baptist Orphanage with liberal offerings. In addition to cash contributions from each organization produce and clothing were sent, also a special cash donation by the W. M. S. for the Ladies Building to be erected at the orphanage by the women of the state. The Lottie Moon offering was \$42.00. Instead of a two days' program for the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, as usual here, the ladies carried out the programs for the entire week, with a sustained attendance, interest and increased offerings.—Pastor.

ESCAPING RESPONSIBILITY

We might have named this article "Passing The Buck," but some fastidious brother would have passed it up. We might have said "Let George Do It," but this article has a serious purpose and is meant for serious people. It is intended to point out a weakness, yea an evil among us, all the more hurtful because it is in danger of being overlooked. And yet it is found in our local churches, and especially in our work as a denomination. It goes beyond the denomination and even beyond all religious groups put together.

For instance in a community or state, we often hear some one say truly, "What is everybody's business is nobody's business." By this we mean that some matter is of concern to everybody. Everybody knows that everybody is affected by it and ought to be interested in it. But just because it affects all alike, nobody in particular pays any attention to it. Law enforcement for example.

But while we are writing about a general condition which obtains widely, we have here in mind a situation in religious work which hinders accomplishing any good results. To begin with religion is primarily a personal matter from start to finish. To be sure it has its interrelated aspects; and depends for its highest development on fellowship with one another in the things of God. But God deals first and always with the individual soul. There are obligations which cannot be transferred to, and some which cannot even be shared with others. We believe this will be accepted without argument or effort at demonstration.

If there were no other saved soul in the world but you, the Lord would expect you to set to work to save the world. It may be true that the "commission" as we call it was given to the church, but we have an idea that it might be difficult to prove this to an ordinary jury without a reasonable doubt. People had to be saved before there could be a church. And you won't have a church until some individual soul gets busy doing what the Lord told us to do. Don't wait for the church to do what you ought to do.

Don't think you have hired a pastor to do all the Christian work of a community. Don't say "I wonder if the pastor has done this or that." Or "Why doesn't the pastor do this or that." The Lord's work was not intended to be done by paid performers, but by volunteers. When the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt, it was required of every man to work at that part which was right next to him.

One way of escaping responsibility is to appoint a committee to look after something. Committees have their tasks and are a necessity for some things. But there must be committees enough to give everybody something to do. And there are some things which can be done and done better by getting at it without the delay of appointing a committee. Was it of General Forrest that it was said he built a bridge for his army to cross the stream while his engineers were off in a corner drawing plans for the bridge?

Now we are going to tell you a secret. And be sure you don't tell anybody. We made up our minds to write this article when we were listening the other day to a body of wise brethren discussing plans for association-wide evangelism. That's a good sort of evangelism, and we believe in heartily. We have known of results that went deep, spread wide and lasted a long time from just that sort of evangelism. But it seems to me I have heard a man say, "Here, come on, we can do it while we are here talking about it."

But you know it is so much easier some times to talk about a thing than to do it. And especially it is easier to talk about getting somebody to do it, than it is to do it. But there is serious doubt if that is the way to get it done.

Now just as we believe in committees to do some things, we believe in cooperative effort and in planning to get a thing done. But one man is worth a hundred plans. We have never seen a

plan work a man; but we have seen a man work a plan; we have even seen a man do pretty good work without much plan. Paul says something about "First if there be a willing mind." And he also says something about "God working in us to will and to do."

Now we would not be writing all this if we did not believe there is a tendency to shift or evade responsibility, to escape from the obligation which God has put on us by passing it up to some denominational agency or "hired man." There are souls all around us that are lost. There are weak churches in almost every association which need strengthening. In some counties they are conspicuous for their number, and for the amount of work they don't do. Whose responsibility is this? Shall we call on the "Board" to do it? Certainly it is the business of the Board to do what somebody else won't do. They ought to start something. They ought to survey the whole field and see where help is needed, and go to the help of the needy.

But the first responsibility is on the folks in the churches which live right next to these weak and needy places. They ought to be the first to see it and the first to meet it. Why should a good vigorous church pass the responsibility to those afar off. Certainly we need cooperation but we need operation by the hands of our next door neighbors. Why call for help before we have done something ourselves. There is another proverb: If you wish anything done right do it yourself.

FOR EXAMPLE

To make plain and specific what was said in the previous editorial about individual responsibility and initiative, we mention here an example or two of taking hold without waiting for a board or a committee; and then an example of what seems to us to be an effort to evade responsibility by passing it to some organization.

First let us mention some cases of recent date and close at hand where the farmer did not wait for his neighbors to harvest his wheat. (If you don't understand that allusion, ask your grandfather about it.) We had just as well call names of people and places. Some twelve years ago Rev. J. P. Harrington, wishing to be about the Master's business, without conferring with flesh and blood pitched a tent in West Jackson and started a meeting. The wind blew the tent down but didn't stop the meeting. Souls were saved, the saved were enlisted and they organized a church without anybody's consent or advice. It grew. And now there is a good self-supporting church, Parkway by name, which behave like it had always been there. If they had waited for a board, they would have been waiting yet.

About ten years ago Rev. G. H. Suttle started a little Baptist Sunday school in a Methodist church in North Jackson. He preached to them. The Methodists were mighty good to them. They set up housekeeping for themselves. They too have now a self-supporting church in a thriving part of the city. They didn't wait to be sent. They went.

A little over two years ago two young men from the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans unheralded and uninvited blew into the Baptist Record office and announced that they had come to Jackson to do some mission work. They were directed to the Van Winkle suburb, went to work, pitched a tent, got a crowd, took up a few collections, organized a Baptist church and went to doing business for God. Like the others they now have a church house and a parsonage and are growing all the time.

A little later came a young man and his wife from the Baptist Bible Institute and pitched their tent in South Jackson and staked off a claim for the Lord where there was no Baptist church. Like John the Baptist, they were sent from God, and there wasn't any board behind them, and they had no "visible means of support." But they "endured as seeing Him who is invisible." They now have a church house, over 200 mem-

bers and last year baptized 65 people, which puts them near the top in Jackson.

Something could be said about Siwell church just outside of Jackson, organized less than two years ago, now doing business in their own house. Something could be said about Bolton, and about East Jackson, all done in much the same way. Of course some good people helped when they saw these were going concerns, and they still are singing, "Our help cometh from Jehovah who made heaven and earth." Don't wait for George to do it. Our boards ought to be named George. If a thing needs to be done, do it.

Now one example, one big shining example of trying to do by proxy what we ought to do ourselves and just don't want to do it. There is quite a tendency among all of us folks in the world when there is something that ought to be done, and we seek to evade responsibility, to just organize a "movement," and expect the "movement" to do what we run away from doing. Now don't gasp, but that is just what the effort to organize a "World Council of Churches" is for. Suppose the apostles had started out after the ascension of Jesus to organize all the religious forces into a movement to bring in the kingdom of God. They could have called in all the religiously inclined in Jerusalem, Rome and Babylon! But they didn't. They just began preaching "Repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ." Anybody can do it that has the Spirit of God who came at Pentecost. And people were saved; multitudes were added to the Lord. Great opposition arose, but that didn't seem to bother them. It certainly didn't stop them. All of this notion about bringing to bear on the world the combined impact of the good people everywhere, of every faith and name, to turn the world to God; it is abandoning the method of the apostles; and it is pulling the wool over our own eyes. It is an effort to get done by organization and mass efforts what we are unwilling to do in God's way. We can't "pass the buck" to any aggregation, however big. The Lord says "Ye shall be witnesses unto me," and there is no substitute for his way. How shall we escape our responsibility without guilt before God?

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Programs for the observance of Student Night have been sent to all full time pastors. The purpose is to show appreciation of our young people who have been away to school, and give them some part on the program.

Rev. W. O. Vaught, Jr. has resigned as Secretary of Baptist Student Work in Missouri. He has been called to the pastorate of Bethany Church in Kansas City. Brother Vaught is an alumnus of Mississippi College and of the Louisville Seminary. His father is a deacon in the church at Utica.

The fallen nature of man naturally resists and is apt to resent any show of authority which tends to interfere with his self-will. It is human nature to want to do what one is forbidden to do. To tell the natural man not to do a thing is to provoke in him the desire to do it. From this some are disposed to argue therefore that you ought not to forbid his doing it. But the Bible teaches the contrary. It says that the law was given to make us conscious of sin, to let us know that there is something sinful on the inside of us that ought to be changed. Paul says by the law comes the knowledge of sin, the knowledge of its presence, nature and power. He says "I had not known coveting if the law had not said, Thou shalt not covet." The law makes us aware of our corrupt condition, that our hearts are alienated from God. It makes us realize that something is seriously wrong within, and that we are helpless to correct it. It is our pedagogue, tutor, schoolmaster, to lead us to Christ. Because of the sinfulness of man, the very first commandment is "Thou shalt not," and a good many of the others begin the same way. The first impulse is to do what we ought not to do, and the first commandment meets this impulse with a prohibition. The regenerated man is conscious of the impulse to do wrong, and he welcomes the prohibition which says "Thou shalt not."

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b ("Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe.")

MOUNTAIN CREEK—RANKIN COUNTY

Many other pastors of country churches could well copy the fine program of Rev. W. S. Landrum who has a country field in Rankin County. Parts of each week are spent on the field visiting the people. Each year he holds a three day Bible Institute with each church. The program consists of sermons, Bible study and the presentation of different phases of the denominational program. We were privileged to have a part on the program at Mountain Creek in Rankin County.

Rankin County has subscribers listed as follows: BAREFOOT 18; BRANDON 88; R. F. D. BRANDON 3; BRIAR HILL 37; CATO 47; CLEAR CREEK 40; CONCORD 43; Hickory Ridge 2; LEESBURG 71; Mountain Creek 5; Mt. Pisgah 1; MIZPAH 19; New Zion 1; Oakdale 10; PEARSON 15; PELAHATCHIE 61; Puckett 2; Star 3; STEEN'S CREEK 86; Whitfield 2.

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BENTONIA

Pastor A. A. Kitchings and the Bentonia Baptists are going places. To launch their every member canvass they had a banquet and invited Rev. W. A. Bell and the writer to speak. Honestly the speeches should have come before and not after the meal. It was so plentiful the table so pretty and the food so good that we were to full for utterance. We spoke on "The Cooperative Program" and Dr. Bell on "Why Pledge to the Church."

Yazoo County's Record readers are listed as follows: ANDING 15; BENTONIA 53; R. F. D. Bentonia 1; BETHLEHEM 18; BLACK JACK 50; CONCORD 24; EDEN 14; HEBRON 21; HOLLY BLUFF 1; OGDEN 22; PROVIDENCE 39; SATARTIA 13; SHORT CREEK 49; Yazoo City 14.

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UTICA

No pastor in Mississippi is more interested in the Record than Rev. Owen Williams, Utica pastor. Due to unfavorable vegetable crop conditions they do not have the EVERY FAMILY Plan but with the ones they had, the ones we got and the ones the pastor is getting, they will have more than 50% of their families.

We were delighted to find the auditorium well filled and were informed that the night crowds had more than doubled in recent months. And to be a guest in the Williams home is always worth a trip to Utica.

Hinds County has subscribers listed as follows: Jackson First 33; CALVARY JACKSON 664; CLINTON 153; VAN WINKLE 43; BETHESDA 60; PARKWAY 107; DAVIS MEMORIAL 111; SOUTHSIDE 54; TERRY 77; Beulah 1; BYRAM 17; EDWARDS 14; Northside 7; Griffith Memorial 13; Jackson Miscellaneous 29; LEARNED 15; CLINTON MINISTERIAL STUDENTS 49; Oakley 1; Old Men's Home 2; POCAHONTAS 19; Raymond 5; Salem 2; SIWELL 16; Terry R. F. D. 2; Utica 20.

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AND A STUDENT SHALL LEAD THEM

Recently Rev. Levon Moore, Mississippi College ministerial student heard us explain the EVERY FAMILY Plan. He told us that he thought he could lead his churches to adopt the Plan. We didn't doubt him but just feared he would do as many others have done—just forget it. But to our delight, he already has gotten the EVERY FAMILY Plan adopted at Edinburg in Leake County and Poplar Flat in Winston County. Some who are not students might take a lesson from this progressive young pastor.

CORINTH—JASPER COUNTY

Let other pastors read and then do likewise:

"Dear Brother Goodrich:

With great joy in my heart and praise to God after earnest effort and prayer, I have been able to get the EVERY FAMILY Plan adopted in Corinth Baptist Church in Jasper County, of which I am pastor and my prayer is that it shall give the members of this church as much joy in their hearts as they read the Record as it gives their pastor in knowing we now have the EVERY FAMILY Plan."

Sincerely,

Rev. L. R. Massey, Pastor."

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OPPORTUNITY NUMBER FIVE TAKEN—FIVE LEFT

In last week's Record we listed six Christmas opportunities. Today we received the following letter. Among the 60,000 who will read this issue of the Record, aren't there five who will help make Christmas and 1941 brighter? It is still more blessed to give than to receive. Try it.

"Dear Brother Goodrich:

In am enclosing check for \$1.50 for payment of Baptist Record one year to be sent to Christmas Opportunity No. 5 as listed in last week's Record.

The Record meant much to my Mother who was a shut-in. I am doing this in memory of her.

Sincerely,

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A WAY TO SHARE CHRISTMAS

Many of you will have much at Christmas. While you enjoy all those good things there are many who will have much less.

Below we list some Christmas opportunities. It will make you feel good and bring joy to some less prosperous person IF you will send us \$1.50 for a year's subscription to one or more of the worthy causes listed below.

Simply clip out the article and check the opportunity that you want to take.

CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITY No. 1—Widow, no income, took Record as long as able.

CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITY No. 2.—Aged preacher, semi-invalid, would appreciate Baptist Record.

CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITY No. 3.—Husband, wife, children took Record until few months ago, crop failures.

CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITY No. 4—Man is old, living with children, no income, but wants Record.

CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITY No. 5—Widow, shut-in, aged, enjoys Record, unable to renew.

CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITY No. 6—Man and wife above 60 years of age, very little income, much medicine to buy, wants Record but unable to subscribe.

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Dr. E. Y. Mullins wrote a good book on "Freedom and Authority In Religion." It is a subject which every man needs to study out carefully and faithfully. We are running up against it almost every day that we live. But the subject of Freedom and Authority are not confined to religion. These are things that must be met in all the walks of life, in the ordinary daily experiences. Both are cardinal principles in life. How to reconcile them; how to make them fit into each other; what limitations each puts on the other are matters which must be worked out in every day experience. There is no such thing as absolute individual liberty, except it be destructive of all life and all righteousness. There is no such thing in actual exercise as absolute authority, else there would be no personal responsibility. God has absolute right to reign, but he does not exercise this right irrespective of personal responsibility. A leeway is left for individual freedom. So must fathers and mothers do in the home with their children. There are risks which we cannot escape. But any man who undertakes to exercise his personal liberty, forgetful of the fact of rightful authority will soon run into trouble. There is plenty of liberty for the full development of personality. And there is authority that liberty may not ignore without ruin.

EVERY CHRISTIAN SHOULD KNOW

By G. C. Hodge

Every Christian Should Know That The Lord Wants Him To Tithe.

If he doubts whether he should tithe let him place ninety potatoes in one pile and label them "Mine," and place ten in another pile and label them "The Lord's," and ask himself these questions: Since the Lord has saved me, set me free from the curse of the law, and extended to me his grace should I take the Lord's ten potatoes and add them to my ninety and thus leave the Lord none? Does the grace of God in one's heart lead him to do things like that? How many less than ten out of an hundred would the grace of God lead a Christian to give for the extension of the Lord's work in the earth?

If any Christian doubts whether the Lord wants him to tithe let him put in one basket ninety eggs and label them "Mine," and put ten in another basket and label them "The Lord's," and ask himself these questions: Could I show my gratitude to God for all the blessings he has bestowed upon me by giving less than ten eggs out of an hundred? If so, how many less? How many eggs out of an hundred would gratitude lead me to give God for all his benefits and for the promotion of his work in the earth?

Let a Christian put nine dollars in a pile and label them "Mine," and lay one dollar beside them and label it "The Lord's," and ask himself these questions: If I loved the Lord with all my heart could I take the Lord's dollar and add it to mine? Would love lead me to do that? Would love for God lead me to keep for myself that which is God's? If a man loves his wife and children he finds pleasure in dividing his income with them and supporting them. It is even so with a Christian. If he loves the Lord and his church he finds great joy in giving and in helping to support his church and the Lord's work in the earth.

Every Christian who does not tithe may one day find himself in a position similar to that of the young man who was placed in charge of a large department store with the understanding that he was to take five hundred dollars a month from the receipts for himself and dependents. Several months passed without a check being made against him. But one day the auditors appeared unexpectedly and found that he had not only taken five hundred a month, but much more beside. He had used the income from the store as if it belonged to him. He was of course charged with theft.

God has given to every Christian eternal life, good sense, the ability to get wealth and to serve in some way, and has granted him the privilege of using nine-tenths of his increase for himself and dependents. He allows each one to manage his life and possessions in his own way, but one day death is going to usher each one into the presence of the Lord where an audit will be made, and woe be unto the one who has used his life and possessions as if they were his own. God says in Malachi 3:8, 9 that he will deal with such as with thieves and robbers.

We know a couple who are doing without things they need in order to make it possible for their two sons to remain in college, but the boys are cooperating with their parents, are making the most of the opportunities afforded them, are making good grades, have found favor with the student body and faculty and have become assistants to the faculty. Because of this their parents find pleasure in sacrificing for them. But suppose the boys did not cooperate with or appreciate what their parents are doing for them. Suppose they idled away the time and wasted the money provided. They would doubtless lose the support of their parents and suffer. We think it is even so with Christians. The Father must find joy in providing for those who love him, appreciate and cooperate with Him in the work of His church, but those who do not do so suffer the loss of many blessings the Lord would otherwise bestow upon them.

RESUME OF THE BOOK OF ROMANS

By J. R. G. Hewlett

Given at the Pastors' Conference
Sardis, Dec. 3, 1940

Brethren, when we began the study of Romans, I gave an outline of the book. Today we are completing the study of Romans and I am requested to give a "Resume" of it. Romans was written by Paul, the Apostle, to the Church at Rome, primarily, and to Christians of all ages in general. The Church of Rome was composed of Gentile Christians, with a respectable minority of Hebrew Christians. Today, I am going to give the leading thought in each chapter, as I see it.

CHAPTER 1. The Gospel, the power of God unto salvation, to all who believe.

CHAPTER 2. Out of Christ, no one can escape the judgment.

CHAPTER 3. The Law is not made void through faith.

CHAPTER 4. Faith in Christ Jesus, is counted for righteousness.

CHAPTER 5. Peace with God is the fruit of justification by faith.

CHAPTER 6. The believer in Christ Jesus is dead to sin.

CHAPTER 7. The Law teaches men they are sinners.

CHAPTER 8. The spirit helps our infirmities.

CHAPTER 9. Spiritual seed of Abraham, not natural, are heirs of the promise.

CHAPTER 10. With the heart man believes into the imputed righteousness of God.

CHAPTER 11. God's judgments are beyond the reasoning of man.

CHAPTER 12. Believers are exhorted to use their various gifts in the service of God.

CHAPTER 13. Love is the fulfilling of the law.

CHAPTER 14. The believer in Christ is to live in conscious relationship to God and man.

CHAPTER 15. The strong must bear the infirmities of the weak.

CHAPTER 16. Beware of those causing divisions and offences.

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PROVING OUR LOVE FOR GOD

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(Foreign Mission Board) — Whoso hath the world's goods, and beholdeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how does the love of God abide in him?

The following appeal sent by Southern Baptists' noble missionary, Dr. Robert E. Beddoe, to Dr. Charles E. Maddry of the Foreign Mission Board, reveals a tragic need and opens a door of thrilling opportunity:

"If you could be transported to Wuchow for a few days your heart would be torn as mine is every day. Trying desperately to provide for an ever-increasing influx of patients, I have used every nook and corner, have had carpenters working in three shifts making beds, cleaning basements and patching leaks; but still we are unable to meet the demand for space. We could use today 100 more private rooms and 200 ward beds. Our staff are worn to a frazzle, but they cheerfully work at all hours. I have kept the mails and wires hot trying to find suitable doctors.

"Right now, I cannot think where to put a single additional patient, and the reception room is full of those clamoring for space. It hurts to see the sick, lame and halt being carried in from great distances and know there is no room for them! The verse, 'I was a stranger, and ye took me in,' keeps ringing in my heart. In Chinese it reads, 'I was from a great distance, and ye took me in.'

"At the end of each day I am so exhausted that I cannot sleep, and every morning my feet and legs ache so I can hardly dress. Mrs. Beddoe grieves because, even with three helpers, she is unable to see all who come within our gates, so needy and hungry for the truth. The multitudes are begging for the Gospel and it is physically impossible for us to reach all. NOW IS THE ACCEPTED TIME in Kwongsi Province. Can't you do something about this? There are three of us here and the hospital alone could use twice that

WORKS OF THE FLESH

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I have read with interest the articles written by brother G. C. Hodge. I speak specially of the one on "Quenching the Spirit." Brother Hodge says that those who quench the Spirit are in spiritual darkness and are indifferent to spiritual things, therefore regard for God's Spirit do not manifest any concern for the salvation of the lost and refuse to be led by the Spirit of God. He says that they still love God and have only lost the joy of their salvation. He also mentions many faults in their lives. He adds some other things that they may be guilty of, such as dishonesty, envy, jealousy, neglect of duty, neglect of prayer, slander, backbiting and selfishness.

My observation is that this class of church members are not church members at all and I think that this kind of preaching and teaching are the cause of loose morals of our church people.

I am compelled to ask myself, To what class do these people belong? I remember that the Lord said, "Strait is the gate and narrow is the way which leads unto life and few there be that find it." It is the change of heart that counts and with the change of heart comes new life, and this life is patterned after the example of our Lord.

We must remember that these churches organized by Paul were in heathen communities. They knew nothing about the laws of Moses or the laws of Christ. They had no Bibles, they had no instruction except what Paul and a few other Christians had given them. With all the light that we have, there is no reason for us to be babes. We should be strong men, able to eat meat, but many of us have to be fed on the milk of the Word. There is no reason for people who accept Jesus in our country to act like heathen. We have the life of Jesus all the way. We have great Christians that walk before us. We have thousands of preachers preaching the Word. We have God's Book for our instruction and the Spirit as our guide. These things are written not as a criticism, but to call our people to face some facts about Christian living. We cannot serve two masters.

—H. Chadwick.

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In March 1941 First Church, Minneapolis, will celebrate its 88th anniversary, the 44th anniversary of the pastorate of Dr. W. B. Riley and his 80th birthday. He is still going strong, doing about three men's work.

Rev. H. C. Clark of Alva, Ky., is speaking each Sunday morning over Radio Station WNOX, Knoxville, Tenn., 1010 Kcys., from 5:30 to 6:00 A. M. Central Standard Time. Many friends in Mississippi are already listening in and they say that reception is good.

Colonel Amos W. Woodcock, former Commissioner of Prohibition enforcement, is quoted as saying that the cost of prohibition enforcement from 1921 to 1931, the period of the nation's greatest prosperity, was \$284,156,524, and collections from fines, penalties and liquor taxes totaled \$548,432,260, leaving a net profit of \$264,275,736. In addition to this enormous sum was the hundred billions of profit from the prohibition law, which we wantonly threw away by stock market gambling and repeal.—Ex.

On Sunday, Dec. 1, Pastor W. L. Day welcomed six new members into the fellowship of Pascagoula Church, one by baptism and five by letter. The plans and specifications for the steel structure of the auditorium have been placed in the hands of the bidders. These bids are to be returned on December 20. The materials for this part of the building will be placed on the ground in January and actual construction of the steel structure will begin about February 1. The work on the new mission building in the shipyard is progressing. All the materials for the framework is on the ground and the work on the framing will be started this week.

number . . . Should we not grasp this opportunity to really do something in territory already partially occupied? This is a cry for immediate help."

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS," I Cor. 13:8b

Worship * Serve * Give

"And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ." Acts 5:42.

Win Someone to Him!



WISHING EVERYBODY A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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We appreciate the fact, more than we can express, that our minister brothers have helped make it possible for us to preach the gospel, and, present the work over all the State.

Already we are dated for many Sundays and week days through July 1941. We hope you will help us go where the State Mission Secretary is most needed, and where no Secretary has visited for some time.

God called us to preach the Words of The Book!

II

First Baptist Church, Jackson, has been having some great days. Some outstanding men and women belong to this church. It is rich in leadership.

Now they expand the budget giving 35% to Missions—\$20,000 total. Putting this budget over will cause some ears to tingle.

Congratulations to the pastor and people! Doxology!

III

Mrs. Gilfoy, superintendent of the Baptist Hospital, Jackson, recently received a \$300 donation for furnishing 2 rooms @ \$150.00 each. The good brother did it in honor of two men. One had greatly helped him in his life's work in a business way. The other was a preacher who had largely influenced his life.

"Being dead he yet speaketh." Heb. 11:4. Doxology!

IV

Five days after the Convention Brother E. D. Hurst, prominent Christian layman, wrote a letter indicative of the finest Christ-like spirit. He believed honestly and passionately in a great big Mississippi Baptist program. He believed in it as set up in the report of the minority from the Commission of Twenty. Listen to a Christian layman as he writes:

"Dear Brother McCall: Thanks for your letter of the 16th. I was very glad to see the spirit of fellowship in the meetings of the Convention. I am sure Mississippi Baptists went home with a bigger and clearer vision of our work, and I believe with some idea of trying to do more for our whole program than heretofore.

I have no reservations about the outcome of the Minority Report. I am persuaded it did a good service and quickened our thinking about our whole denominational program. Most of our

people acted toward a spirit of unity rather than spend ourselves in debate and division that could bring no progress.

I am definitely for two or three things. First, the associational program along the line heretofore outlined. This is a far-reaching work and without overhead cost to the Convention in a large measure. Second, more Brotherhoods ought to be formed and our men in big numbers enlisted in the church program. Third, three to five evangelists in the field for full time aside from the Camp Shelby project. I would say three now. This will start a building program from the ground up. Too, I hope we will be able to more adequately take care of our Church Building program, our pastoral help, and a larger B. S. U. work.

In due time I will be glad to have your outline of a program for the Board in December. I think you are doing a wonderful work and in the finest spirit I ever saw in any man. I am for you right on. God bless you every step of the way.

The Majority Report was all right—was not against what it is—except it was too little for a lot of BIG men."

V

If we really want to see a greater State Mission work—

If we really desire to escape the usual "crisis" the week of the Board meeting—

We may do so by: (1) Remembering that 25% Cooperative Program receipts Sunday by Sunday go for this purpose; (2) Remembering to keep clear September-October, State Mission season each year; (3) Remembering to feed the people on The Bible—dispensing information about His work, via the Baptist Record, State Mission poster, Cooperative Program poster, Study courses, tracts, Mission and Stewardship Institutes, and, a preennial program of Evangelism.

Participate in it all!

VI

The Board meeting was excellent. A budget of \$43,750 is the largest to State Mission work in 10 years. Evangelism drew the greatest emphasis and discussion.

Missions and Evangelism drew the largest total allocation. Church Building aid concerns the preaching of the gospel. Pastoral missions and evangelism means the preaching of the gospel. The State Evangelistic Conference is first for preaching the gospel. Ministers' Retirement is in support of Gospel ministers.

And more might be said.

VII

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES—JANUARY

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1. W. M. U. Institutes—January 6-24.
2. Associational Sunday School Tour—January 20-31.
3. Baptist Hundred Thousand Club.
4. Church School of Missions.
5. Cooperative Program.
6. Now Club (Five Thousand Club).
7. Tithes and offerings each week according to Scriptures.

printed catechisms and text books for the education in addition to his work, was granted one hundred As the years passed the hold of this book upon

These offices will be closed for the most of Christmas week.

BR

Dr. W. W. Hamilton, President of the Southern Baptist Convention, also of the Baptist Bible Institute, arrived in Clinton Friday morning of last week at seven o'clock, spoke to the Mississippi College students at Chapel at 8 o'clock, was with the ministerial students at lunch in Ratliff Hall, as the guest of Dr. M. O. Patterson at noon; attended noon day prayer meeting; spoke to the Ministerial Association in the evening and left for New Orleans that night. His visit was greatly enjoyed.

NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

Slogan: "DON'T PUT IT OFF—PUT IT OVER"

I

We hope to see the first six months of the New Year a great movement in Now Club circles that will mean all certificates taken (pledged) meaning our debts will really be retired in three years. It looks more hopeful than ever.

One large church puts \$5,000 (\$15,000 plus for 3 years) in the budget for this Cause; the pastor of another large church says his church will take a \$7,500 three year quota; Dr. Gunter came by for the quota for his "new" church; Dr. Lowrey asked for the Blue Mountain and Tippah County quotas; Dr. F. K. Horton, Columbia, Pastor Herrington, Jones County, Dr. Martin, Senatobia, Dr. Hewlett, Charleston, Pastor R. D. Pearson, Macon and others asked about local quotas. The Board unanimously voted for the great movement in the Now Club starting January 1, 1941. Doxology!

II

We wanted to see "about" what each association would "need" to do in putting the Now Club over in three years. Some "suggestive" figures were arrived at on the basis of performance, people, prosperity and possibilities.

Of course, no living man or men could make a perfect set-up like that. But the brethren have been asking for just that. We like to please. Then, Sunflower and Bolivar counties have "gone over" their set figures, and, Deer Creek and several others are "on the way."

Yes, we don't care so much for "quotas," nor, debts either.

According to State secretaries, several of the states "doing things" use quotas all the time.

Associational quotas follow:

Alcorn	\$ 6,000	Madison	8,050
Attala	6,000	Marion	10,300
Benton	1,875	Marshall	4,725
Bolivar	10,650	Mississippi	11,250
Calhoun	6,300	Monroe	5,000
Carroll	2,150	Montgomery	4,050
Chickasaw	5,075	Neshoba	8,675
Choctaw	4,200	New Choctaw	72
Clarke	7,500	Newton	6,125
Clay	7,550	Noxubee	4,175
Columbus	9,800	Oktibbeha	6,000
Copiah	14,925	Panola	5,000
Covington	5,275	Pearl River	12,075
Deer Creek	26,300	Pearl Valley	600
DeSoto	3,475	Perry	2,575
Franklin	6,800	Pike	21,575
George	2,000	Pontotoc	7,000
Greene	4,300	Prentiss	4,000
Grenada	6,150	Rankin	6,650
Gulf Coast	7,700	Riverside	17,250
Hinds-Warren	48,300	Scott	10,000
Holmes	8,900	Simpson	7,435
Itawamba	1,275	Smith	5,800
Jackson	3,675	Sunflower	18,600
Jasper	4,550	Tallahatchie	6,100
Jeff Davis	6,225	Tate	5,050
Jones	22,500	Tippah	7,000
Kemper	2,750	Tishomingo	2,500
Lafayette	6,000	Union	3,600
Lauderdale	27,575	Union County	7,000
Lawrence	4,500	Walthall	8,270
Leake	6,000	Wayne	5,120
Lebanon	24,550	Winston	6,000
Leflore	15,150	Yalobusha	5,000
Lee	10,000	Yazoo	10,000
Liberty	600	Zion	2,700
Lincoln	13,100		

BR

Rev. L. J. Crumby goes to Coffeeville succeeding brother Saucier who becomes a full time chaplain in the federal conservation corps. Bro. Crumby has been pastor at Courtland and is already preaching to two other churches in Yalobusha County.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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CHRISTMAS PRAYER

That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.—Psalm 67:2.

Lord, help us make this Watchword breathe
And move and spread o'er fields afar;
Enlarge our souls. New strength bequeathe,
Till "Peace on earth" relights the Star.

Then, with THY DAY well known to earth,—
Thy SAVING HEALTH all nations know,—
Glory anew shall mark the birth
Of Him who set this Day aglow.

—MARGARET McRAE LACKEY.

Christmas, 1940.

You will note Miss Lackey has used our 1941 W. M. U. Watchword as a basis for her Christmas Prayer. We thank her for this message.

It has been almost 2,000 years since our Heavenly Father sent an angel to earth to speak to the shepherds on one of the Judean hills saying: "Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." Then suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." His followers of all ages have caught up that message and proclaimed it to the peoples around about them—yet many nations this Christmas Season hear only the planes of destruction and the cry of the broken hearted. My Christmas prayer for you is that this joy and peace that Christ brought to us may abide in your hearts and fill you with His Spirit throughout the coming year.

Institute Dates and Places

- Dist. 1—Jackson, Calvary—Jan. 24.
- Dist. 2—Moorehead—Jan. 22.
Shelby—Jan. 23.
- Dist. 3—Winona—Jan. 6.
Oxford—Jan. 7.
- Dist. 4—New Albany—Jan. 8.
Amory—Jan. 9.
- Dist. 5—West Point—Jan. 10.
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Meridian 1st—Jan. 15.
- Dist. 7—Leaksville—Jan. 16.
Picayune—Jan. 17.
- Dis. 8—Columbia—Jan. 20.
Natchez—Jan. 21.

Special For Sunbeam Leaders

Yes, for Sunbeam leaders and for Churches without Sunbeam Bands! A special conference for the training of leaders, for the giving of new ideas and plans. During the Institutes in January we are to have the first, separate conference for Sunbeam leaders that we have had. Our Associate Southwide Young People's Leader, Miss Elma Currin will have charge of this conference. It is our desire to have a representative from every Missionary Society in this conference. If you have a Sunbeam Band, then of course we want the leader of that Band present; if you do not have a Band, we want a representative from your Society present, preferably a prospective leader.

The other Young people's counselors will be in another conference to be conducted by the State Young People's Secretary. Make an effort to have all Young People's Leaders and Counselors present.

Annual Church Night of Stewardship

Mrs. James R. Goff of Lucedale says that they had a splendid program and all of their young people participated. The program follows:

Opening Song: "Give of Your Best to the Master."

Devotional—Mrs. J. A. Dorsett, Stewardship Chairman.

Prayer by the Pastor.

Song by the Sunbeams.

Sunbeam participation presented by the leader, Mrs. T. C. Waldrop.

Junior G. A.'s presented by Mrs. A. K. McMillian.

Song "Trust, Try and Prove Me."

Int. participation presented by Mrs. T. E. Thomas.

R. A. Playlet—"Timothy's Tithe"—Mrs. Dave Larrimore counselor in charge.

Original Talk by Miss Frances Parker, member of Y. W. A.

Something New—"World Comrades" Club!

Have you read page 21 of the January Issue of "World Comrades"? I hope that many of our boys and girls will be readers of this splendid magazine and will answer the questions each month and become members of this Club. The first person to ask for membership is: Miss Edith Alexander of Itta Bena, member of G. A.

Who will be next?

Caixa 2655, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
November 20, 1940.

Dear Friends:

Today when I was having lunch in the restaurant of the Avenida Hotel, my attention was attracted to an old lady with wrinkled face, stooped body and rheumatic limbs who went from table to table trying to sell lottery tickets. She must be seventy years old and I daresay has spent most of her years trying to make a living selling lottery tickets. It was with the greatest difficulty that she walked on the highly polished floors and as she hobbled out into the crowded streets, it was even more difficult for her. While looking at her my thoughts winged their way to another woman about her age. She lives in the state of Espirito Santo and has the distinct honor of being the first person, in her state, baptized into the Baptist church—that was about 48 years ago. It was one of the sweetest experiences that I have had for a long time to take part in an Institute that was held in her church, in August. Dona Anna Rangel is her name and she was present at every meeting—morning, afternoon and evening—and how her face radiates sunshine and happiness! Her cup ran over more than one time during the week, especially at the evening services when she saw scores of her friends, many, for whom she has prayed for years, hearing the Gospel messages. Which of these, do you say, has life and has it in abundance?

Still thinking of the two and comparing their lives, I remembered a very interesting account of an experience Missionary Maddox related in one of his messages at the Evangelistic services held in the Rio Seminary last week. He told about evangelizing an old man on his death-bed.

A son was the only christian in the family and how his heart longed to see his aged father safe in the fold. He went to the missionary and begged him to make a visit to his father and explain the Plan of Salvation. Dr. Maddox complied with his request and, there, at the bed-side of the dying man, told the Old, Old Story in its simplicity and fullness and "by grace through faith" another soul was born into the Kingdom of God then and there. The last words of the dying man were; "Tell the missionary that he put into my hands the staff that will be my stay on the long journey on which I have embarked".

How very grateful Dona Anna is to Southern Baptists for the staff that they placed in her hands. When the death angel comes for her she will not be afraid because "His rod and His staff will comfort her". But what about the other? Will the lottery ticket be her stay? Who will place into those feeble hands the staff that will guide her through the dark valley?

Our Brazilian W. M. U. is trying to be faithful in the task of placing the staff into the hands of the children and young people of this country. But what a big one it is. Just now we are working on plans for our Institute for Summer W. M. U. field-workers which will begin on the 2nd of December and go through the 13th. We hope to impress on the hearts of these workers, the necessity of placing the staff in the hands of the children and young people NOW! Will you pray for the girls as we try to train them, and, in a very special way, for them as they visit hundreds of churches in both North and South Brazil.

The Day of Prayer literature has been sent to all our 670 Baptist churches and we hope the day will be faithfully observed.

We had our District W. M. U. convention two weeks ago. There were 760 women, girls and children who responded to the roll call of their respective organizations. The spirit was fine, and I feel constructive work was done.

May Season of cherished memories and precious hopes bring to you the joy of His presence and the blessing of His Infinite love, and may the true spirit of Christmas be with you throughout the New Year.

Yours in His service,

Minnie Landrum.

JANUARY

Missionary Topic: An Urgent Gospel Where We Live.

Taking stock for 1941. Recognition service for new members won in 1940; importance of missionary magazine subscriptions. Establishment of family altars; use of W. M. U. prayer plans.

Personal service finds the need. If the Gospel is adequate for our community, it is for all communities.

Personal evangelism tells the Good News. Heralds of salvation are to tarry for the promised power without which they go on leaden feet.

Let us go speedily to entreat the favor of Jehovah.—Zech. 8:21.

Leader—

Bible Topic: Psalm 146—"Help of the Helpless."

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Sunday School Lesson

By L. Bracey Cambell

The Angel To The Shepherds
Bible Text: Luke 2:8-20

Introduction: The Christmas season is here again. It is a story of fulfillment, fulfillment of an eternal promise of God, a fulfillment toward which all the prophets stand a-tiptoe as they bend their gaze down the long stretches of the future, to catch a gleam of the sun burst of God's own glory as they exulted in His promise that "the day star shall arise with healing in his wings." This is a story of a virgin mother with her baby on her bosom. This is the story of a company of simple shepherds who stood one night in the midst of the dazzling splendor of heaven and listened to angel hosts choiring the glad tidings that heaven had bent low to deposit its richest gift in the lap of a sinning, suffering, sorrowing earth. This is a story of angels come straight from the throne of God to bear to men the first gospel message ever proclaimed upon this earth. This is a story of a manger become the richest birth chamber that every graced this earth. It is a simple story simply told of God's matchless gift to the world.

This is the story of a birth, a new birth, the birth of the son of God. It is the story of the re-birth of hope for hapless man, of the birth of a new movement out of bondage into freedom, out of darkness into light, out of death into life eternal. It is the story of the birth of a new world, of a world whose center forever after this birth is Christ the Lord. It is the story of a re-birth of a world in shackles to sin, of dependence upon the devil, into a new world of freedom under the benign rule of Prince Emmanuel. Even the skeptic, the atheist, the agnostic, the pagan, all round this big rolling earth recognize the new-ness of the order brought to birth on the night when, in the cattle stall the arms of Mary held the little king secure. All that went before this birth is on the other side of the watershed of human his-

tory. All that has come since, all that shall occur until the trumpet of the Lord shall sound for His return is on this side of the watershed. Any year B. C. was a year which befell before Shiloh came: Any date A. D. is on this side of the event which made the old world new. Let us take a look at the text.

I. The Sermon and the Song. Vs. 8-14

1. The temple. Vs. 8.

"In the field". The first gospel sermon ever preached was not preached in a house of man's designing but in one room of God's great house of which in this particular spot, the floor was the grass carpeted hillside or valley bottom. I somehow think that God loves to speak to men outside in the broad reaches, away from the strife and jangle of things so it was in this case. The roof above the heads of those present in this meeting was the star studded vault of heaven. The walls around them were the age old Judean hills where God had met with Abraham, where he had spoken with Jacob, where he had accepted the sacrifice of the father of the faithful, and delivered Isaac that his name unto the latest day might still mean "Laughter." Here then was the meeting place, somewhere no doubt in the vicinity of Bethlehem.

2. The congregation. Vs. 8.

"There were shepherds." Men appearing rough on the exterior no doubt; but warm hearted, sincere minded, of a wisdom surpassing that of kings. They built their hopes on the word of God; they believed in Him and loved Him, and those characteristics, my brethren, stamp the wise in all times as wise, and set them forever a million light years apart from the fools who hear the words of God and do them not. These faithful men made up the congregation.

3. The temple light. Vs. 9.

"The glory of the Lord shone round about them." That was the light with which God lighted the first congregation that ever went rejoicing from the meeting place where the advent of the Saviour had been proclaimed to man. God lighted this meeting with the splendor of His own presence; for, mark you Luke says, "The glory of the Lord shone". Does the glory of the Lord shine in the place where you meet your Sunday School class and in the church where you say you worship God?

4. The preacher. Vs. 9.

"An angel of the Lord stood by them." Ever hear a man say that an angel couldn't preach? This one did. I make no doubt that every one of all the shining hosts that flanks the throne of the Almighty could preach and would be glad to do so were not that lofty function reserved for a higher form of moral intelligence. Am I telling you the truth now, or is this merely a preacher's Christmas dream? If I am right, the highest function the King of Glory ever commissioned an angel to perform was to tell a group of wondering awe-stricken shepherds of the birth of the sanctified who came to save.

5. The Sermon. Vs. 10-12.

(a) Introduction: "Be not afraid." This is the distinguishing feature of our holy religion. It is a religion

of filial love and not like every pagan religion in the world, a religion of carven fear.

(b) "Good tidings". God tidings, good news, of great joy. This good news is to bring joy "to all the people". This good news is world wide in its scope. The content of the good news is that saviour is born, that the saviour of men is a born one even as they are born. The sign by which they shall know their baby Lord is that He is wrapped in "swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger."

6. The choir. Vs. 13.

"A multitude of the heavenly host." A choir of heaven singers came down to furnish the music in that Christmas service.

7. The song. Vs. 14.

A song in praise of the glory of God. "In the highest", among the highest intelligences, or in the highest heavens. This sets the bound to the upward reach of the effect of His coming. How deep is the downward reach "on earth." The effect of the coming of the saviour reaches down to the very dregs of the deepest cess pool of sin that stagnates any where on earth. The effect of the coming of our Lord is, "peace among men in whom He is well pleased." Mark you, it is not, "peace and good will to all men." His coming did not bring peace to Herod, to Judas, to Pontius Pilate, to Hitler, to Stalin, or Mussolini. It brought peace only to the men who are of good will to receive Him as Lord. Hang to that idea it will do thee good like a medicine.

II. The Shepherd's Successful Search. Vs. 15-20.

2. The reaction to the message. Vs. 15.

"Let us go . . . and see this thing . . . which the Lord hath made known unto us." When these wise men got a message from the Lord they were wise enough to believe it the fact that they did believe it stamps them as being wise with God's own wisdom. So they went where the angel told them the little Lord might be found for the purpose of confirming their faith and of securing evidence of their belief. "And they came with haste."

2. The reward of their reaction. Vs. 16.

"They . . . came . . . and found . . . the babe lying in a manger." Of course it has occurred to you that you will find everything of which God tells you exactly as He tells you. That's the way these shepherds did and there was not a doubt in the heart of any one of them as He looked upon the babe in the manger cradle that he was looking on the dimpled baby form of "Christ the Lord."

Would it not do us good in imagination to go with the shepherds of Judea to the manger of Bethlehem. Have you ever got ready to go. Have you ever just laid aside your smugness and self-esteem and pride and feeling of self-sufficiency and prejudice and gone to Bethlehem once? I conjure you to go to Bethlehem once and standing there in those simple surroundings let the realization of the humanity of the Saviour, His sympathy, His innocence, His sinlessness, His condescension sink into your heart: And standing thus think of the absolute Lordship of this loving saviour and ask yourself

the questions, "Have I realized Him as my brother, brother in blood whose love for man-kind sweeps within its comprehensive scope every man and every woman of every condition on the earth? Have I crowned Him as the absolute Lord of my life, of all my life, of every department of my life, of all the relationships of my life?"

3. The publication. Vs. 17-20.

"They made known . . . returned, gloryfying and praising God for all the things that they had seen and heard." They made the saved man's reaction to the operation of the saving grace of God in his heart. They published the glad tidings which they had heard and the account of the wonders which they had seen. Shall we not at this Christmas season adapt to ourselves the Lord's direction to another, "Go thou and do likewise?"

—BR—

ENLISTMENT OF YOUTH

(Foreign Mission Board)—From Miss Minnie Landrum, of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, comes this encouraging report: "Our little college church is moving off in a fine way. We have about seventy members on the church roll now and 140 in Sunday school. I have nineteen enrolled in my class for young women and I am always happy when Sunday morning comes. Their interest and enthusiasm are a good tonic. Some of the girls are not professed Christians, but I have faith to believe that they will be brought into the fold. We have organized a chorus for the young women and a Russian Baptist minister is teaching them how to sing correctly. I am so pleased with it. I think it will be greatly used of the Lord in enlisting other young people."

S. S. AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

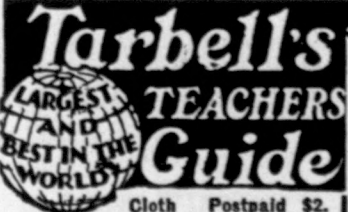
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A CALL FROM THE CAMEROONS

(Foreign Mission Board)—Letters from Dr. Rushbrooke and the Rev. Helmut Simoleit reveal the fact that the German Baptist missionaries of the Cameroons (the country adjoining Nigeria on the southeast) have been interned and are now living in a camp in Nigeria. Dr. Rushbrooke made representations to the British Government in behalf of the release of those interned, but the Government advised that they could not be released. The evidence seems to be that, either of their own volition or under pressure from Germany, these missionaries gave expression to utterances that rendered their presence in the Cameroons harmful to British interests. Thus war continues to do its damnable work, not only causing suffering to these missionaries and their children, but leaving unaided a group of native Christians who were looking to them for spiritual leadership.

An appeal for help has been made to Southern Baptists, and it is hoped and believed that they will respond in the same magnanimous manner as that which has characterized them in other emergencies. Dr. George Green has been asked to investigate and report to the Foreign Mission Board the expense involved in our taking the leadership in this well-organized field. If Dr. Green should recommend that we assume this responsibility, we shall have to give more self-sacrificially than we have ever given, to the end that this desperate need might be met.

—George W. Sadler, Secretary to Europe, Africa and the Near East.

SO FEW THE LABORERS

(Foreign Mission Board)—Every section of the work is undermanned. Some are overdue for leave. I am doing my best. At Yaba I will have one of the best new plants in Nigeria. If it were permissible I would even praise it myself. In the next three months I have to put up three other buildings at Yaba, finish the Union Church in Lagos, build a new domestic science building at the Academy and remodel my garage so as to use it for a teachers' reading room. Besides this, I must direct the making of furniture for all of these buildings. And this is, if you please, only an incident in the routine of my regular work as principal of this school and manager of about ten other schools and director of the work in both the Lagos and Ijobu districts. I am grateful that my health is not bad again. So far I have not had to go back to my crutches. I am sure that I will do well to last until the end of 1941. I am only human. You should not expect me to do the impossible. A man ought to be here in training.

I have now been on duty since before daylight and it is now nine-thirty at night. I need your prayers. We all need your prayers. We are not unmindful of the difficulties you are having in getting new workers to us, and you always have our sympathy. Love from just me and my dog, for we are all alone.—A. Scott Patterson, Lagos, Nigeria.

A SAFE ARRIVAL

(Foreign Mission Board)—From the four new missionaries to Africa—Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Brantley and Dr. and Mrs. H. D. McCamey—a cable was received, Monday, December 9, announcing their safe arrival in Capetown, South Africa. From there they expect to get a boat for the three thousand mile trip along the western coast to Lagos, Nigeria.

ALLEGIANCES TESTED

M. Theron Rankin, Secretary for the Orient Missionaries in the Orient Face Evacuation

Our people in America are fully acquainted with the advice which was issued by the State Department in Washington that American citizens in the Orient, particularly women and children and those men whose immediate presence is not regarded as urgently required, withdraw to the United States. As a result of this advice, approximately fifty of our active missionaries, from a total of one hundred eighty-four missionaries on the field, are returning to America. These include twenty-four mothers with their children, twelve men and women whose furloughs are due in 1941, seven who are leaving for reasons of health, and a few others who are leaving for special reasons. With them are nine retired missionaries and sixty-three children, making a total of one hundred twenty-two people who are returning to the United States.

Remaining in the Missions in the Orient are one hundred thirty-four of our missionaries. Many of these have been living for more than three years under the terrific physical and nervous strain of war conditions and are now staying by their work despite these additional severe difficulties. Most of the mothers with children are going. The men and women without children, the men without their families, and most of the unmarried women are still occupying practically every mission station we have in the Orient. At the present time, only one or two stations have been left without a resident missionary.

Facing the Problem

I would that our co-workers in America might understand even a little of the distress of soul, mind, and body which this withdrawal has brought to our missionaries. We have been sorely perplexed to know what we should do. In 1937, when Japan's invasion of China began, because of the witness for Christ and services to the Chinese people which they knew they would be able to render, missionaries in China had little difficulty in deciding to remain by their work, regardless of physical dangers. The present situation, however, is entirely different. If war between the United States and Japan should occur, Americans who are in Japanese occupied areas of China at the time will probably be placed in concentration camps where they will have no opportunity for contacts of any kind with people outside of their camps.

But, we are not certain that war will come. We cannot all hasten away and leave our responsibilities in God's Kingdom work, because of the possibility that some of us may be caught here if war does come. If we send large groups of our missionaries to America and war does not come, then it will appear that we became afraid and ran off too quickly. On the other hand, if we ignore the advice of the State Department and a large number of our missionaries are put into concentration camps or suffer other severe calamities as a result of the outbreak of war, it will appear that we were foolhardy and even criminally negligent in failing to take seriously the warnings which have been given us. In these issues are involved serious responsibilities which are far more important than any question of criticisms.

A MODERN HALL OF HEROES

(Foreign Mission Board)—It is encouraging to see the spirit of optimism and hope among our missionaries. The Beddoes are both in Wuchow, Brother and Mrs. Bausum and Miss Stallings are in Kwelin, Miss Shumate is in the Sun Hing field, Brother Rankin in Shieuchow. Since the houses were stolen in Kongmoon, Misses Scarlett and Clement are in Macau. Misses Dodson and Hawkins are hard at work in Kowloon in Hongkong. Miss Lydia Greene and Dr. and Mrs. Hayes are in Canton. Mrs. Rankin and Mrs. Ray are here on the Island at Cheung Chow. Dr. and Mrs. Saunders are leaving with Miss Sandlin in a few days for Shieuchow. And what shall one say of Miss Jessie Green and Brother Ray? Well, they have certainly labored valiantly. Miss Green, a young missionary yet, is staying right at the job in the Wuchow field. Passing through all kinds of experiences, yet right there witnessing for God. Brother Ray has certainly been through more than his share. The last trip he made they were robbed seven times, losing about (U. S.) \$400.00.—Frank T. Woodward.

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Seeking Southern Baptist Understanding

For those who are leaving and for those who are staying here, we earnestly beseech the sympathetic support of our fellow Christians at home. Because of the years of heavy strain which most of our missionaries in the Orient have already undergone, we are ill prepared to confront this new emergency. Many of the mothers with children, who are leaving their husbands in China, will experience great difficulty in taking care of their needs in America. The burden of responsibilities and anxieties on them will be heavy. Their going has called for Christian courage and devotion of no small degree. Those who are left in the mission stations in the Orient will bear not only the increased load of the work but will labor under the pressure of constantly increasing tension and the handicap of separation from their families.

If this international crisis passes without creating serious conditions for Americans in the Orient, we trust that our Southern Baptist people will understand the circumstances which led to the withdrawal of the missionaries who are going to America, and that they will bear in mind that we have exercised the best judgment we have at the present time. If it seems imminent that America will be involved in war, we shall try to make the best possible disposition of those who have remained here. Some of these may go to Chinese controlled areas of Western China, while more of them will probably return to America.

God's Kingdom will live on in the Orient. The work which our Lord entrusted to missionaries of Southern Baptists in this part of His Kingdom has not been finished. Earnestly we shall seek to take every precautionary measure possible within the limits of seeking first the promotion of God's Kingdom in these lands. We cannot find it in our hearts to proceed with plans other than those which lead us to seek, even more earnestly, to be faithful in our allegiance to our God and His Kingdom which we place above our families and above life itself.

CALLED HOME

(Foreign Mission Board)—A message was received on Friday, December 6, announcing the home-going of the beloved young missionary, Mrs. Orvil W. Reid. Her death, following an emergency operation, occurred in Mexico City. Burial was in Stillwater, Oklahoma, Sunday, Dec. 15. To the bereaved husband, the little four-year-old son and the other loved ones, the hearts of Southern Baptists go out in deepest sympathy.

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, SECRETARY
JOHN A. FARMER, ASSOCIATE
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, ELEM. SEC.

CHRISTMAS

Since there will be no issue of the Baptist Record Christmas week, this will be our last message to you this year. And since this will appear in the Record just a very few days before Christmas, we can think of no better way of bringing to you our last message of 1940 than to say that from the depths of our hearts we wish for each and every one a Christmas season that will be in accord with what that great day should mean to us.

It is the birthday of Jesus the Saviour of all who have accepted him in faith for forgiveness of sins. His coming into the world has brought freedom to many and may it bring that same freedom to countless others.

Christmas season should be a happy season. It should be happy in the thought of the one whose birthday we celebrate. It should be happy in the thought of the love of that one, and that he wants us to so love one another as he loves us. The love of God for us causes love to abound in our hearts if we accept and follow him as he wills that we should.

We wish to express to each of you our sincere thanks for all the help you have given us this year. Certainly without the help of our people we could not have even begun to accomplish any thing in the great Sunday school work. You have been gracious, helpful, kind, forbearing. For our mistakes we pray for forgiveness; for whatever of good that has been done we are indeed grateful and pass on to those who have cooperated so beautifully the major share of all that.

And so, then, in our last word to you in 1940 we wish you a most happy Christmas season with the blessings of the Lord richly abiding upon all. In this time of turmoil and strife in many parts of the world, how grateful we should be for another Christmas with our great land at peace.

Happy Christmas To All!

Liberty Juniors Standard!

Congratulations to Mrs. Leroy Tumey and her Junior department at Liberty! It is now a Standard department. There are six classes in this fine department and four of them are Standard. These Standard classes are: Light Bearers, Miss Leila Causey, teacher; Busy Bees, Miss Glanara Anderson, teacher; Cheerful Helpers, Mrs. Minnie Black, teacher; Boys' Cadet Corp, Mrs. John T. Wilson, teacher.

We genuinely appreciate this fine work by these capable officers and teachers in bringing up to Standard this department.

We know they will enjoy Christmas more now.

Conductor: "How old are you, little girl?"

Professor's Daughter: "If you don't object, I'll pay my full fare and keep my own statistics."

GOODBYE AND GOD BLESS YOU

Dedicated to My Dear Pastor,
Brother Percy Ray

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With heavy hearts we come to say Good-bye to you, dear brother Ray. For five glad years, you've been our guide,
Our shepherd and our people's pride.

No other church has ever known
A pastor closer to God's throne.
No other shepherd ever led
More loving flock than you have fed.

It breaks our hearts to see you go.
Because we trust and love you so.
But down the years, though near
or far.
Our prayers shall seek you where
you are.

And we are sure that you will pray
For each of us, dear brother Ray;
For your great soul can not forget
The ones who hunger for you yet.

The love of God has lent you light.
Your leaving us must then be right;
But it will be so hard to find
Another leader of your kind.

God give us wisdom to pursue
God give us strength to carry thru
The noble work that you began
Among us for the Son of Man.

We cannot pay the debt we owe
For all your services we know.
Your consecration and your worth
Have sanctified our bit of earth.

And your own presence shall abide
Upon this church to grace and
guide.

Our thanks to God till time shall end
For such a shepherd such a
friend.

Good-bye, good-bye, and may you be
A blessing through eternity
And may you meet ten thousand
more
You led to Christ upon that shore.

His friend,
Mrs. D. W. Sherman.

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REV. J. T. PHILLIPS

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On November 26, 1940, the long and valuable life of Rev. J. T. Phillips was suddenly ended by death. Brother Phillips worked till noon, and in just a few minutes after being stricken was dead. In his going the association lost its capable and faithful clerk. He had served the association as clerk for about eight years. Several times winning the prize for the best minutes.

For 33 years brother Phillips has been a minister of the gospel, serving many churches in Lauderdale,

Clarke, and Wayne counties. He was a true preacher of the old pure gospel of Grace. He believed the Word and preached it with all earnestness of his great soul. He loved and believed in the missionary efforts of his denomination. He was a real Baptist.

He was true to the church of which he was a member. He attended its worship, helped in its ministry of teaching, gave it the benefit of his wisdom, experience and influence. Brother Phillips was a conservative, wise, spiritual leader. He will be missed by his pastor, his church, his good wife and companion, who walked with him for 38

years; his six children, and countless friends and fellow workers. Blessings on all who loved and now miss him so sorely.

His pastor,
W. B. Abel.

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My dear Children:

This is to wish for each of you the merriest, cherriest Christmas that you've ever known. May Santa Claus be good to you and fill your stocking to overflowing. May you have the added joy of seeing some one else's eyes sparkle with happiness because of something which you did for him.

Merry Christmas and a happy new year to all.

With love,
Mrs. Frances Steele

Bible Study

Kindness: Ebedmelek Saves Jeremiah. Read Jeremiah 38.

"Love is kind"—1 Cor. 13:4.

Jeremiah the prophet had made some of the princes of Judah very angry by speaking the words which God put into his mouth. They went to King Zedekiah and said "We pray you, have this fellow put to death. He takes the heart out of all the citizens and soldiers by his talk. He is out to ruin the city, not to help it." King Zedekiah answered "Take him. He is in your hands, for who am I to do anything against you?"

Then these princes of Judah took Jeremiah and cast him into a dungeon which was underneath the guardhouse. They lowered him into the dungeon with ropes. This dungeon was probably a deserted cistern. It had no water in it, but deep mud, and Jeremiah sank in the mud.

Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch of the king's household, called Ebedmelek. When he heard that Jeremiah had been thrown into this dungeon, he went in search of the king and said, "Your majesty, these men have treated Jeremiah the prophet cruelly; for they have put him in a cistern and he will die of starvation, for there is no food left in the city." Then the king ordered Ebedmelek to take men with him and go and bring Jeremiah out of the cistern before he died.

Ebedmelek took the men and got some soft old rags and some ropes and went to the prison. He lowered the rags by ropes to Jeremiah in the dungeon, saying, "Put them under your arm pits and then place the rope under your arms. So Jeremiah padded under his arms with the soft old rags and then placed the ropes under his arms, and his friends pulled him out of the muddy dungeon without hurting him.

Hattiesburg, Miss.,
Nov. 7, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I want to join the Children's Circle. I enjoy reading it very much. I go to Sunday School, Church, and B. Y. P. U. every Sunday I can. Laverne Pimiento is my Sunday School teacher and my B. Y. P. U. leader. Brother Barnhill is our pastor. I like him very much. I go to to Davis school. I am in the fourth grade. I will be ten years old the eighteenth of this month. I hope my letter is not too long. Enclosed you will find five cents for where it is needed most.

Your new friend,
Margie McKenzie.

Margie, by some mistake your letter has been delayed, but it is certainly not because it is too long or because it was not appreciated. We hope you had a happy birth-

day. Thank you very much for your contribution. We placed it to the credit of our scholarship fund for Miss Lynn Fleming.—F. L. S.

West, Miss., Rt. 1, Dec. 2, 1940
Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am a little girl nine years old. My birthday is July 4. I go to Sunday school, preaching and G. A. I am secretary of our G. A. I enjoy attending them all. I am in the 4th grade at school. I enjoy reading the Children's Circle. My teacher is Miss Mary Virginia Potts. My Sunday school teacher is Mrs. Kallie Mae Bailey and my G. A. teacher is Mrs. Carrie Gilbert. I love them all.

Our G. A. is sending \$1.00 as a Thanksgiving gift to the orphans. It isn't much but we send it with our love and every good wish for their happiness. We have 13 girls in our Girl's Auxiliary. We appreciate our G. A. and leader very much.

Lots of love to all of you.

Mable Joann Hughes

Springdale church near Kosciusko. Indeed your gift is "much," Joann. The spirit is which it is sent increases its value. Thank you and every one of the other twelve members and your leader for the help which you send.—F.L.S.

West Miss., Dec. 3, 1940.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

I go to Springdale Baptist church and am a member of the R. A. Mrs. Grady Simmons is leader. Our R. A. is sending \$1.50 for the Orphanage. We have eight members.

Yours truly
Charles Hughes

Charles, we hope that you will report to your Royal Ambassador chapter how very much we appreciate the offering which you send. This is truly a fine gift and I think it must come from a great group of boys and an excellent counsellor.—F.L.S.

Crowder, Miss., Dec. 5, 1940.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

This is my first time to write. My name is Martha Barton. I am ten years old and in the fifth grade. I enjoy reading the Children's Page. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. Mother is my teacher. I am a 4-H Club girl. We are making a scarf. I am sending a dime for the orphans. Hope you will accept my letter and find room in the Children's Circle for it. Your friend,

Martha Barton.

Your 4-H Club work is very interesting, isn't it, Martha? We are grateful for the offering which you send, and are happy to have your letter.—F.L.S.

Lena, Miss., Dec. 7, 1940.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am glad to become a member of the Children's Circle. This is my first time to write. I read the children's page every Thursday and enjoy it very much. I attend preach-

ing and Sunday school every Sunday. Our pastor is brother M. C. Hughes. I am in the 7th grade at school. My teacher's name is Mr. Lewis. Your new friend,
Willie Ruth Williams.

We are also glad to have you in the Children's Circle, Willie Ruth. Come again.—F.L.S.

Lucien, Miss., Dec. 7, 1940.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

My sister Emma Jean is writing you, and I want to write to the circle also. I am seven years old and our little brother Donald Hugh is four years old. We go to Sunday school and church every Sunday. I am sending 10c for the orphans. We think of them often and feel so thankful that we still have our mother and daddy. I am in the 3rd grade in school and my teacher's name is Miss Catherine Herring. I love her. Your little friend,
Mary Jo Byrd.

One way of showing our gratitude to God for His goodness to us is by helping those less fortunate. This is what you are doing, Mary Jo. We appreciate your help.—F.L.S.

Lucien, Miss., Dec. 7, 1940.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

I have read the Children's Circle and decided to write you. The answers to Mary Sue's questions are 1. The beloved physician. 2. He raised her son from the dead. 3. Lot's wife. Because she looked back at the burning city of Sodom. I hope my answers are correct. I am also sending a quiz: "Which two boys in the Bible were born before their father was?" I am a little girl of eleven years and in the 6th grade at school. I go to church and Sunday school every Sunday. My teacher is Curtis Byrd, my brother. Our pastor is brother Elton Barlow. We like him very much. I go to B. T. U. also.

I hope there will be room for my letter in the circle. I'm enclosing a dime to be used where you think best. Your new friend,
Emma Jean Byrd.

These answers are correct, Emma. Your question ought to arouse some interest, and I hope will bring a reply. Thanks for your gift.—F. L. S.

Hattiesburg, Rt. 4, Dec. 7.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

It has been a long time since I wrote to the Children's Circle. I am ten years old and in the fifth grade. I go to Sunday school every Sunday and to B. T. U. every Sunday night. I picked up a big sack full of hickory nuts for the orphans this year. I hope they like them as well as I do. I am sending ten cents to the B. B. I. or where ever it is needed. Your friend,

Bettie Sue Aultman.

Those boys and girls at the orphanage are just like other boys and girls anywhere, so I'm sure they have enjoyed those hickory nuts that you sent them. The gift which you are sending for our scholarship is helpful too. Thank you.—F.L.S.

Crowder, Miss., Dec. 6.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

Please find enclosed six dollars. Please send one dollar to the B. B. I girl and \$5 to the orphanage. We enjoy the sweet little children's letters. May God bless you in your work. A country friend,

W. J. Atkinson.

You really are a friend, and prove it in a substantial way. We greatly appreciate your interest and this gracious gift.—F.L.S.

Magnolia, Miss., Dec. 6, 1940.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

I read the Children's Circle every week and enjoy it very much. I am a little girl nine years old and in the fourth grade. I go to church and Sunday school at Bala Chitta. The pastor is brother Hunderup. I like him very much. I will write again soon. Love to all. Your new friend,
Emogene Simmons.

We welcome you, Emogene. Remember to keep your promise to write again soon.—F.L.S.

Kosciusko, Miss., Dec. 7, 1940.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am a little girl seven years old. This is my first time to write. I go to Kosciusko school. I am in the third grade. I go to Springdale Baptist church. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. I am a member of the Sunbeam Band. Mrs. Callie Mae Bailey is my Sunday school teacher and Sunbeam leader. She is my aunt. I love her lots. The Sunbeam Band is sending \$1.00 to the B. B. I. student, Miss Lynn Fleming, who is my cousin. We are also sending \$1.00 to the orphans.

Your little friend,
Florence Fleming.

How proud you must be of your cousin, Florence! We are proud of her, too, and of the work which she is doing. It adds to our pride too, when the little Sunbeams become interested and want to help both Miss Lynn and the children at the orphanage. We'd like to thank each member of the Sunbeam Band, and their leader, Mrs. Bailey, for this generous donation. Won't you thank them for us?—F.L.S.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

Enclosed is receipt for the \$5.18 sent by the Children's Circle for Miss Lynn Fleming. I join Miss Lynn in grateful appreciation for the help you and the children have thus given.

Glad to report a great session at B. B. I., and with all good wishes, I am Yours cordially,

W. W. Hamilton, Pres.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 11, 1940.
Dear Mrs. Steele:

Please accept our sincere thanks for the gift of \$9.26 from the Children's Circle. Your continued interest and support is appreciated.

Yours very truly,
W. G. Mize, Superintendent,
Baptist Orphanage.

Financial Report for November 1940

Special to Orphanage	
Neita Fay Watts	.10
Marilyn Moody	.05
Charles L. Chappell	.05
Wanda Jean Whittington and Willie Mae Hydrick	.05
"Little Buck" Morgan	.25
Dwight and Donna Northup	.12
Marion Douglas	.10
Enora Nash	.05
Bobbie Kline	.05
Dorothy Sue Shoemaker	.10
Clarice Gresham	.10
Intermediate and Junior Class of Harmony S. S.	1.32
Willie Mae Bradshaw	.05
Eula Phaynell McIntire	.10
Junior Class, Midway Baptist Church	1.00
Junior Class, Stewart S. S.	1.17
Nannie Allison	.10
Intermediate Dept., Waynesboro Baptist Church	.50
Normie L. and Bessie Marie Sullivan	.25
Mrs. Kate Summers	1.00
J. L. Williams	.10
Junior Girl's Class, Bethany Baptist Church	1.05
Joyce Austin	.20
Elizabeth Couch	.10
Jacqueline Willis	.10
Sunbeams, Clinton Baptist Church	.50
Fay Lea	.10
Sonny Schmitz	.10
F. L. S.	.50
Total	\$9.26

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Christmas Greetings

The Secretary and Associate Secretary of the Baptist Training Union desire to extend to all best wishes for a Christmas of good cheer, and a happy and prosperous New Year. May His blessings be yours in large measure as you serve him through the coming days, and may these Holy Days we are enjoying now bring Him very close to each one of you. The Lord is good and his mercy endureth forever.

What Kind Are You?

Are you—
A trolley car member who pays for the ride,
And says, "Now amuse me, or I'll not abide?"
Or are you—
A row boat member, who pays like the rest,
And pulls on the oars with a wholehearted zest?

—Georgia Bulletin.

This is the time churches are making up their budget for a new year. Every member of the church should be a "Row boat member". Do your part. God knows what your tithe is, and you can know without much trouble. God's tithe will run God's business, and a consecrated nine tenths will run our business in a much smoother way. Make God your preferred creditor!

"Each new day is an opportunity to start over again . . . to cleanse our minds and hearts anew, and to clarify our vision. And let us not clutter up today with leavings of other days." Oliver Wendell Holmes.

We are happy to report 64 newly organized unions in the state during the month of October, of these there were: 11 Story Hours, 15 Junior, 13 Intermediate, 14 Young People, and 11 Adult Unions. Near the 500 mark has been reached in new unions for the state this year, bringing us near our goal as we conclude the special five year period of emphasis. Thanks to you for helping. Let no union die!

Mrs. C. S. Thomas, director of the Duck Hill Training Union reports a fine attendance every Sunday night with nearly 100% staying for the preaching service. She says "I'll just put my adult union up with any union. It has the leading men and women of our church, and I may say the community." We are glad to have this good work from Duck Hill. Under the leadership of Brother and Mrs. Thomas the church has built a splendid brick house of worship, and the church is going forward in every way.

A Unique Bible Drill Plan

The Navilla church in Pike Co. has a unique way of conducting the Bible Drill. Questions on the weeks readings are given out to all the members the Sunday before, so when

you read your Bible you will look for these answers. You are prepared next Sunday to enter into the drill by being able to answer the questions that may be asked. There will be several questions on each days readings. These will printed on a sheet of paper, enough sheets for every member to have one. Try this in your union sometime.

B. T. U. Fair, First Baptist Church, West Point, Mississippi

The First Baptist Church was the talk of the town when The Baptist Training Union put on a Fair. The B. T. U. Department of the Church attempted to show something of its accomplishments during the past year.

The First room to be entered featured the entire Training Union. The theme, "Its Alarming" was carried out trying to show to the visitors that it is alarming the number of Church Members un-enlisted in Training Union. Posters and alarm clocks carried out of the idea. The record books were also displayed in this room for inspection along with all the literature published to be used in B. T. U.

The Story Hour department carried out the theme of a Midget Colony. The children were all dressed as grown people and sang a number of songs for the visitors and handed out tracts on the Story Hour.

The Junior Department presented "Beginning in Jerusalem". In the center was a large lighted Cross with gifts at the foot of the cross illustrating deeds the Junior Department had carried out in missionary work this past year. The Juniors were all dressed in choir robes and sang a number of choruses. One girl sang a solo and another Junior gave a talk on "What we do in the Junior Department."

The Intermediate Department presented types of programs studied in Training Union. The Missionary booth was presented with a globe in the center a flag on top with streamers from the various countries leading out to a larger circle where boys and girls dressed to represent the different countries sat on the floor. The Doctrinal program was presented by candle light showing the co-operative program.

The Educational program was presented with posters. A cross in the center with other posters showing the harmful affects of alcohol and smoking on the body.

The Bible study was presented with six boys and girls giving a sword drill. They were dressed in white with red capes.

The Young People's department had two booths one a Bible exhibit. The young People sell Bibles and with the proceeds carry on Mission work. The other booth presented a candle light service in the Training Union on Sunday night.

The Adult Department displayed two booths, The Go-Getters Union

a group of young adults presented a Christian Home.

Two other Adult unions had as their theme Enlargement presented with a Bee Hive showing that last year they began with only one Adult Union where now we have three. Another poster presented the Harvest Season indicating that a Harvest of good things awaited other Adults in the B. A. U. On another side A Missionary poster was the center with curios from Foreign Countries carrying out the Missionary idea. With one who had traveled in the Mission fields to explain the articles.

The crowd all came back to the Assembly room where they enjoyed a Reading and a Special song with the Junior Choir giving some more of their choruses then the entire group joined in singing after which they were served refreshments of cookies, punch and Apples some of the small children were looking for hamburgers and that was the only disappointment expressed by all who attended. Blue, red and white ribbons were given for the best booths. The Intermediate Department won first place. The Go-Getters Union of the Adult Department second and the Junior Department third.

The Training Union Fair was voted a big success with plans for a bigger and better one next year. A high light of the Fair was the court jester who kept the crowd in a jolly mood and moving along to the various booths.

CHILDREN'S CIRCLE—

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Special to B. B. I. Scholarship
Margie McKenzie .05
Johnnie Bess Mangum .50
"Little Buck" Morgan .25
Vanda Jean Whittington and

Willie Mae Hydrick .05
Dwight and Donna Northup .13
Edwin Smith .10
Elnora Nash .05
Bobbie Kline .05
Johnnie A. Bain .10
Eula Phaynell McIntire .10
Intermediate Dept., Waynesboro Baptist Church .50
J. L. Williams .10
Sunbeam, Clinton Baptst Church .50
Janie Branyan .10
Marvel Austin .10
F. L. S. 2.50

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Philadelphia, Miss.

The First Baptist Church, Philadelphia has had an eventful year and today stands as a Church with a well rounded program and every Department standard.

Coming here in June 1939 I found the Church in splendid condition with the Sunday School holding the Advance Standard—the only one in the South, and it still holds it. Immediately I flung out the challenge to the other departments to become standard also, as result, all responded and the requirements were met.

In response to an inquiry by one of my members "How does it feel to be pastor of a church where every Department is standard," I replied, "I have had the joy before, I know how it feels," for my first pastorate at Fairfax, S. C. accomplished the same feat.

Our Church is now perfecting a fully organized and departmentized Music Department, from the Junior age through the Adult age.

The financial condition of our Church is sound. In another year the entire indebtedness will be paid, and our treasurer and Chairman of the finance committee informs me that the two bonds falling due Nov. 1, money was in hand to pay them, this being done entirely through the regular weekly offerings.

This year, including all Departments, there has been given to our South-wide Program \$2,016.61 as compared with \$884.80 last year.

There have been 105 additions to the Church this year. Our Congregation stands ready for service in the town and association. The spirit is one of the best it has ever been my privilege to see.

My people are well informed on all phases of the Organized Baptist Work. I attribute much of this to the fact that our Church send to each family, The Baptist Record, The Commission and Home Mission. P.S. I want used for the text as follows:

—BR—

Some wag has said that college-bred means a four-year loaf made with father's dough. We are persuaded of better things concerning our college boys and girls.



W. W. JONES

RECEIPE FOR AN ADVANCED STANDARD S. S.

First, Select Dept. Supts. with the enthusiasm of Mrs. Joe Germany, Mrs. V. C. Moss, Mrs. J. M. Lofton, Mrs. R. K. Corder, Mrs. T. K. Walton, Mrs. Elmer Dees, Mrs. Annie Russell, Miss Zula Walton, Miss Carolyn Madison, Mrs. Marion Perry, Mrs. Louis Lowry, and Mrs. R. L. Edwards; A General Secretary with the vision of Louis Lowry; and Associate Supts. with the Zeal of J. J. Crews, R. V. Taylor, and Mrs. E. S. Cole.

Next, let the whole mass simmer gently with optimism for one quarter, then add one part determination to nine parts of hard work, and let General Supt., keep well to rear of the rush to avoid stampede.

W. W. Jones, S.S. Supt.

A few weeks ago came the culmination of a dream. A dream of several years, when we were informed that the Baptist Training Union of First Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Mississippi had reached the Standard.

This record was reached through the efforts, the devotion and the consecration of one of the most cooperative groups it has ever been my privilege to know.

The organization is departmentized from Story Hour thru the Adult department, the workers are as follows:

Mrs. Everett S. Cole, Director.
Mr. Clovis Putnam, Asso. Director.
Miss Mattie Mae Viverette, Gen. Secty.
Mr. L. D. Payne, Choristor.
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Miss Hazel Gorden, Dept. Secty.
Leaders and Sponsors, Mrs. K. Walton, Miss Carlene Turner, Miss Thelma Ruth Jones, Mr. L. D. Payne, Mr. Lewis Lowery, Miss Zula Walton, Miss Gladys Darby, Mrs. Joab Langston, Mr. K. Walton.

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Mrs. Clovis Putnam, Director.

Mrs. Lodie Lundy, Asso.

Mrs. Louise Melvin, Pianist.

Mr. Jim White, Dept. Secty.

Leaders & Sponsors, Mrs. Lewis.



MRS. EARL YATES

Rea., Mrs. Jim White, Mrs. Carlene Grafton, Miss Florence Calahan, Mrs. Annie Russell, Mrs. Martha Edwards and Mrs. Mary Carter.

Story Hour

Mrs. Gertrude Simpson, Director.
Mrs. Alberta Fleming Asso. Director.

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Mr. Everett Cole, B.T.U.
Director, First Baptist Church
Philadelphia, Miss.

Our pastor, Brother Corder came to our church after we had attained the Advanced Standard in our Sunday School. He immediately challenged the various organizations of our church to standardize.

As President of the Woman's Missionary Union, I challenged the ladies of our organization to attain the Ten Points on our standard. This we did, with the co-operation of our Young Peoples leader, Mrs. Irvin Van Hooser and our Circle Chairman, Mrs. John Kastnery, Mrs. Clayton Lewis, Mrs. Lamar Evans, Mrs. A. C. Breckenridge, Mrs. F. A. Webb and Mrs. D. D. Hopkins.

Mrs. Earl Yates,
W.M.U. President.

Our Church, realizing the importance of music in all of its services and activities, is setting up a departmentized program. The organization will begin with the Junior Department and run through the Adult age. These will be divided into three Departments with a director over each with a general director with supervision of the whole. Our pastor has often said that, "a singing Church is a powerful Church and a powerful Church is a singing Church." This plan will not in any way minimize the work of the regular choir.

Mrs. J. M. Lofton,
Church Musician.

Mary Slessor, a missionary to Africa, said, when asked to tell what prayer had meant to her: "My life is one long daily, hourly record of answered prayer. For physical health, for mental overstrain, for guidance given marvelously, for errors and dangers averted, for enmity to the Gospel subdued, for food provided at the exact hour needed, for everything that goes to make up life and my poor service. I can testify, with a full and often wonder-stricken awe, that I believe God answers prayer. I know God answers prayer!"

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MOTHER

Mrs. Alice Risher Horne, Daughter of G. E. and Sallie Land Risher, was born Nov. 13, 1862, near Garlandsville, Jasper County, Miss. Was married to R. J. Horne, Dec. 16, 1863 at Bay Springs, Miss. They lived at Bay Springs, until 1919 when they moved to Lucedale. To them seven children were born J. W., W. F., R. E. Mrs. A. G. Brown, Mrs. M. J. Courtney, all of Lucedale, J. R., Stringer, Miss. and Mrs. R. L. Dicey of New Orleans, La.

Death came Feb. 8, 1940 after an illness of a few weeks. Funeral services were held in Lucedale Baptist Church where she was a faithful member. Rev. G. S. Jenkins, her pastor was in charge, with the assistance of Bro. Allums, Methodist pastor. Her remains were laid to rest in the Magnolia Cemetery, Lucedale, by her husband who preceded her about four years.

Mother was always active and strong until in Oct. 1936, when she fell and broke her hip. She bore her afflictions well, and never gave up, was ready to do an act of kindness. Though she never walked with out her crutches, you never found her idle, her hands were always doing some kind of work.

Dear Mother we miss you so much. It seems that it is just a dream that you are gone and never to come back. We know you are happy because you lived a sweet Christian life and you wanted to go as soon as your time came, to be with our dear father. We know you both are happy and we would love to see your faces and hear your voices again, but it was Gods will that you left us. We can imagine seeing you in your new home reunited, where all is rest and peace, and on your heads are crowns filled with stars of service.

May the Lord help us to be more like you both.

Her daughter,
Mrs. M. J. Courtney.

LAURENS, S. C.

We have just finished paying off the indebtedness on our building, and in that connection the week of December 8th has been designated as a "Week of Praise", to praise Him and rededicate ourselves to His service. Four outstanding preachers among Baptists will speak during the week. Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, pastor of Citadel Square Baptist Church, Charleston, South Carolina, Monday evening; Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, pastor of First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, Tuesday evening; Dr. Charles, St. John, pastor Bowery Mission, New York, Wednesday evening; and Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, Thursday and Friday evenings. We expect this to be one of the greatest weeks in the history of this church.

In the revival held recently in our church, Dr. E. C. Stevens, pastor of Clifton Baptist Church, and the senior pastor of Louisville, Kentucky, preached. I was associated with Dr. Stevens for three years during my Seminary days, but I think that I never heard him do greater preaching than he did for two weeks here. It was a quiet meeting, deeply spiritual, well attended, and very fruitful.

There were eighteen additions to the church, most of them by baptism, and they continue to come.

We are prayerfully planning for what we hope will be a good year of work in His service for the coming year. 50% of our budget of \$18,000.00 is to go to the Cooperative Program. In addition to the Baptist Courier, which has been included in the budget for some years, The Commission and Southern Baptist Home Missions have been added for next year. It is our conviction that these missionary periodicals will be fruitful every way, as the Courier has been through these years. For all His blessings upon us we humbly thank, and praise Him.

With personal regards and best wishes for you and the work, I am

Cordially yours,
J. H. Kyzar.

LOVE YOUR ENEMIES
(From Missions)

In the village of Chinkhua in Northern Burma, the Christian population had been harassed and annoyed by a village elder, not a Christian, who had taken an intense personal dislike toward them and had sought in various ways to persecute them.

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So they went to the village elder's field and throughout his illness they cultivated it daily. When his health was fully restored he discovered that his field was in better condition than ever before.

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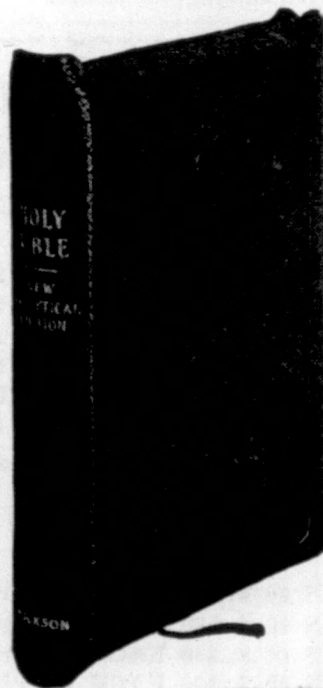
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Bryan Simmons, Field Representative

Thanksgiving has come with its abundance of supplies from many homes and hands. Christmas is on the way and we anticipate its coming with childish glee.

Soon another year, with its achievements will pass into history and a new one will present itself fresh for our service.

In the midst of all this the writer pauses to thank God and to his people for the many favors received and the fine co-operation given in the promotion of the Baptist Orphanage Rebuilding Program. To the many homes that have offered welcome, food and shelter during the year I send my greetings and pray that the Great Visitor will smile upon them during the Christmas season. To every one who has given, whether little or much, may the Lord give returns in gladness and in both material and spiritual blessings.

HAPPY RESPONSES

During the past few months two special appeals have been made. One for One Hundred Men who will give an average of Fifty Dollars each towards another building, and the other, an appeal to the women for enough funds for a building. We have practically reached the One Hundred Men, either in cash or subscriptions that are dependable.

The women are responding individually and in groups and about One Thousand have made contributions to this special fund. Such responses fill the heart of your Field Representative with joy and gratitude and urge him to press on.

Let me say that many men have given to this fund in honor of their mothers and wives.

THE NEXT BUILDING

As has been announced in the Re-

cord, plans are about completed for a dormitory for the older boys and as soon as the rush of the present season is over a start will be made on the construction of this building.

SOME REQUESTS

We do not send out reminders to those who have made subscriptions; so, if you have made a subscription that is still unpaid, please give it your attention as early as possible.

We propose to have a BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE in the Women's Building containing the name of every woman making a contribution of One Dollar or more and also the names and addresses of those in whose honor donations are made. If we do not have your name please send it to the Field Representative.

We request that as many as possible of the other sixty-four thousand Baptist women in Mississippi join readily with the thousand who have already contributed to the fund for the building to be provided by and in honor of the Mothers, Grandmothers and Aunties of little children.

Happy Christmas to All!

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SUMRALL CHURCH HAS STUDY COURSES

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Through the efforts of Miss Bessie Ellington, Director, working with the pastor and leaders, a very successful Study Course Week has just been held in the B. T. U. Department of the Sumrall Baptist Church. The Junior, Intermediate and Senior Manuals were taught by Mrs. Leon Dulin, Miss Maude Anderson and Miss Edith Scott, respectively. The classes were well attended and almost one hundred per cent took the examinations. The social features were enjoyed by all, but these were kept secondary to the fine work done in all of the classes by both teachers and members of the classes.

T. W. Talkington, pastor.

A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM

CARROLL MARSALIS

Carroll Marsalis was three years old last March. He was present every Sunday, on time with an offering every Sunday during the last Sunday school year. He even came the Sundays when snow was on the ground.

Carroll is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Marsalis who are church treasurer and intermediate worker respectively. "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." H. G. Rice, superintendent, Liberty Baptist Sunday school.

BLACK JACK

On Thursday afternoon, November 28th, The W. M. U. of Black Jack Church, met in the home of Mrs. F. S. Heard, for the purpose of teaching our second Mission Study Book.

We had twenty-one members present.

Our Mission Study leader, Mrs. W. L. Wilson, had charge of the

program, and opened the meeting by giving the devotion. The five Chapters of the book, Publishing Glad Tidings, were very impressively taught by Mrs. Grice, Mrs. B. C. Rush, Miss Ernice Dixon, Mrs. W. L. Wilson and Mrs. Ivy Dixon. The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. Rosa Pepper.

A very enjoyable social hour followed during which Mrs. Heard served delicious refreshments.

The Week of Prayer program was observed on Tuesday, Dec. 3rd, with an all day meeting in the home of Mrs. B. C. Rush.

From ten until ten-fifteen o'clock, as the guests arrived, they were met at the door by Mrs. F. S. Heard, while Mrs. Rush assisted by Mrs. Kinch Wilson, and Mrs. W. L. Wilson, served punch and ushered them into the living room.

There was twenty-four members and eight visitors present.

Miss Ernie Dixon conducted the program, which started at ten-thirty and closed at two-thirty.

During the intermission the hostess graciously served a lovely salad plate with Coffee, and at the close of the program. The guests were served cake, candy and hot chocolate.

Both meetings were greatly enjoyed and I'm sure very helpful to all who attended.

Mrs. Roy Pepper,
Publicity Chairman.

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